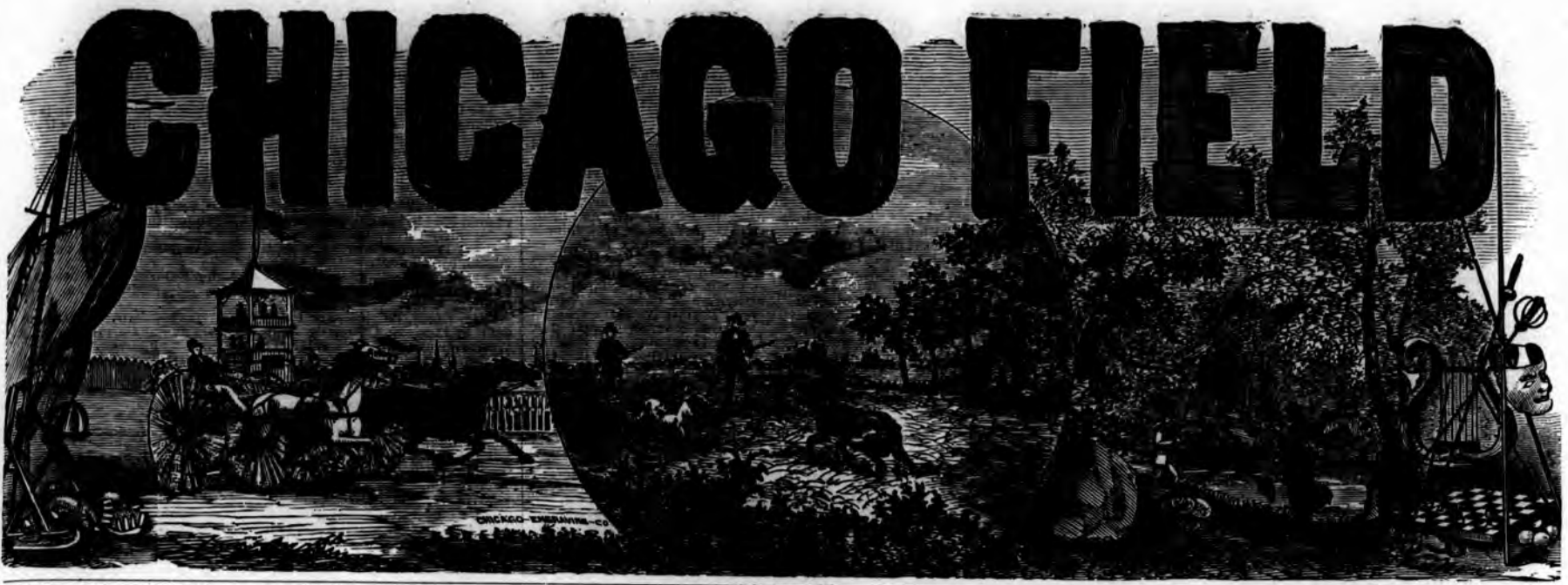




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The Combat.

This week we give our readers a different aspect of nature, and from the quiet groves of our own wood-lands bear them away to the sultry forest glades of the Eastern hemisphere. It is afternoon of a fervid Summer's day, away up in Assam. The parching atmosphere has rendered even the denizens of those well-wooded wilds, eager to slake their thirst at the nearest water-hole. A pair of royal tigers (*felis*

brooks not any interference with his movements. The scorching heat has pierced the armor of the rhinoceros (*R. unicornus*), and aroused him from his grassy bed; and he hastens down the well-trodden path to quench his thirst at the water-hole; turning a sharp angle he comes suddenly upon the striped tyrants who at once crouch in their tracks. The road to the water lays under their lissome bodies, and as they are in the way the rhinoceros makes up his mind to go over them. His wicked little eyes twinkle with the "joy of battle," he drops his head as, with horn

claws are useless against the iron front of her slayer, who, on bended knee, is throwing his whole weight to crush and flatten her sinewy neck. The battle is fierce but short. Already the soaring vultures are aware that blood is shed and are swooping in concentric circles downwards towards the scene of conflict and of death. The striped queen of the forest is dead; her lord, knowing that to prolong the combat is vain, springs into the tangled undergrowth, and is lost to sight, whilst the victor turns to trample the lifeless body out of all recogni-



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tigris) have been down to the pool hard by their shady, tangled lair, and are returning along the game-path, slowly sauntering, while the monkeys in the trees above are hooting their warning to the other animals that the forest tyrants are abroad. But there is one beast who heeds not the hooting of those long-tailed sentinels; in him there is no terror of any beast that walks his native wilds. By nature he is endowed with an armor well nigh proof against all things; and his invulnerability has rendered him careless of all comers; nay more, like the strong, he is imperious, and

pointed forwards, he charges down the path. The tiger springs and alights on the tough, broad back of the pachyderm, upon whose upper hide his claws and teeth rattle in futile efforts to gain a hold; the tigress, however, has been caught ere she sprang, and the stout, short horn has received her charge and flung her backwards upon the path on to which she is now being pressed with ruthless force. She "dies game," however, for her hind claws have ripped and torn the belly of her cumbrous foe, where the hide is less thick than above. But of no avail is this, for her teeth and

tion. Having appeased his ire by this display of implacable hate and revenge, he trots sharply off to quench his increased thirst, leaving the watching vultures to settle upon their prey, and to tear, fight, and wrangle over the shapeless mass that awhile ago was the perfection of vital force. When they have ended their meal, and battered to the utmost off the bones, there comes the army of ants to polish, pick, and leave them, gleaming mementos of the combat.

The Horse.

The Park Horse and How to Breed Him.

[From Wallace's Monthly.]

Having seen, from this hasty glance, that there is no foreign breed to which we can look with any degree of certainty as a source of supply, the question still recurs, "Where are we to get the material out of which to build up this new breed?" Without wasting words in any elaborate reply, we answer, we have as good material of our own as any in the world, and all we have to do is to select it and go to work. In this selection we must drop every consideration of speed, and look only for the elements we want in the horse we desire to breed. Size, symmetry, and style, are the great requisites, and we must have these without any modifications or abatements. In searching for this horse, we must not limit ourselves to the fashionable trotting or running families, for we will be far more apt to find him outside of both. Among the racing sires that have come under our observation, we would suggest that it might be well to look over some of the descendants of Imp. Bonnie Scotland, or Imp. Leamington. The great trouble here will be to find one that bends the knee. Each of the great trotting families may have some representatives that would fill the measure, but the great mass of them would fall far below it. The mighty Volunteer is handsome, and very attractive in form and style, and some of his progeny, which are sometimes large, might be just what is wanted. Some of the Clays, especially those branches that are found in Kentucky, are of elegant proportions. Some of the Champions, in Central New York, are represented to us as coming up to the bill. We have seen some of the descendants of Alexander's Norman that were decidedly handsome, and we know of no young trotting stallion that comes nearer the standard than Mr. Darling's Kentucky Prince, a son of Clark Chief by Mambrino Chief. We would, by no means, discourage a look at New England. We have seen but few of their stallions, but with the blood of the elegant race-horse, Privateer, engrafted on the stylish little Morgans, something very handsome should reasonably be expected. The Black Hawk blood, especially when fortified and enlarged by other good strains, has produced some of the finest appearing horses on the continent. In our last number we gave a little sketch of Blood Chief, and, although we have never seen him, and have no knowledge of his owner, we are disposed to think he comes as near filling the requirements of the Park Horse as any now living. In this casual mention of a few horses, we wish it distinctly understood that we make no discrimination against others that we have not seen, and know nothing about.

When we have found the stallion that is fully up to the requirements, the work is then only half done, for we must find the mare to couple with him. Up to this point we will have plenty of men ready to embark in the enterprise, but just here we will fail of an intelligent and conscientious following. With the horse all right, the common popular opinion and practice is indifference as to the quality of the mare. In most instances it will be expected the horse will beget his own likeness out of all the miscellaneous mares that may be bred to him, and if he fails in this—and he is as sure to fail as the sun is to rise—the whole enterprise is pronounced a failure and abandoned. To avoid this disappointment and failure, we hardly know where to find words of sufficient force and intensity to burn it into the minds of those who try it, that the mare must be as good as the horse in all the points and qualities that are sought to be produced. It must not be forgotten that even after the mares have been selected with the same care and discrimination as the horse, there will be then a larger or smaller per centage of failures. The selections, both male and female, will of necessity be exceptional animals, and there is no possibility of preventing them from throwing back occasionally after the inferior qualities which they inherit from their respective ancestors. Still, as a rule, the qualities of the animals themselves will be reproduced in greater or less perfection and certainty. Thus, after a few generations, the qualities and points sought to be perpetuated will become fixed in the family as a breed, and those qualities will reappear with great certainty and perfection. The breed has yet to be established, and the rapidity and certainty of its establishment will depend entirely upon the intelligence, judgment, and perseverance of those engaged in the enterprise. From the indications now before us, we have no doubt a number of gentlemen of large means will invest their money in this direction, and we have no doubt, either, that their success will be in exact proportion to their care in the selection of their mares. The old habit of thought, that if the horse is all right, the progeny will be also, will govern in many cases, and in just as many the enterprise will have a sickly existence while it lives, and will at last be abandoned as a failure.

But the enterprise must not be left to the wealthy few who will embark in it. We would feel that we had accomplished comparatively nothing if we stopped short of urging it upon the attention of every well-to-do farmer in the country, and of laboring to show how he could make it practical and profitable. In every neighborhood a club can be formed and the money raised on sight to buy the horse that is wanted; then let each member of the club begin to shape his farm-horses so as to convert them into mares of the right type, just as fast as his convenience, inclination, or purse will allow him. In this way choice mares would be gathered, and directly the neighborhood would secure a reputation for breeding such horses as would justify buyers from any distance to visit it for the purpose of getting a supply. Some regions of country, such as Orange county, can sell their young stock at far better prices on account of their reputation. Associated effort, in the direction we suggest, would have the same happy result in any section of country that will adopt it, and perseveringly stand by it. Take, for example, the rugged, but rich limestone hills of Western Pennsylvania, where you will hardly find a good stretch of road a quarter of a mile long in a county. In such sections it is all folly to attempt to breed the trotting horse. There are no roads on which to drive and develop them. To all such sections the profits of breeding must, of necessity, be limited to the production and sale of the ordinary machine, unless they turn their attention to the massive Clydesdale or Percheron. These types are not suited to the varied employments and duties of the farm, and as the case now stands, the only horse adapted to their wants brings no price that will justify the raising. Fill this place with the elegant Park Horse, and everybody is suited in his daily needs, and everybody's purse is heavier at the end of the year.

In this earnestly commending the production of this type of horse to the attention of farmers and small breeders, we cannot close without presenting a kindred thought to the Agricultural Associations of the country. As premiums are now generally awarded at our annual fairs, we are fully satisfied that, as a rule, harm instead of good is the result. In most sections of the country, the popular class, and the one to which the most liberal awards are made, is the "roadster class." Without specially intending it, or so announcing it, the real point that decides the contest is the speed of the competitors. Some little ram of a stallion, utterly unfit to breed to, beats a great fine horse to the end of the trial distance, and he is forthwith pronounced the champion, and carries off the honors. We do not speak of this as a real fault of the management of the fair, for it has been done many times under our own management, but as a fault of the system under which premiums are awarded, that calls for a thorough reform. In other departments of live stock, there are certain scales of points by which the animals are judged, and receive credit according to their estimated quality at each of these points. We will say, frankly, we have not a profound veneration for the application of arithmetical rules in deciding on the comparative merits of competing horses; but when we see the single quality of a little more speed, place the premium with a horse that has confessedly no other quality to commend him to breeders, and see this determined by the arithmetic of the watch, we must take all the arithmetic there is in the contest, and by fair use of it determine which is the better horse. In the construction of this scale of points, great care, and the very best practical talent, must be brought into requisition. There is no use in attempting to pooh-pooh it, we must come to it, and adopt it if we wish to make our agricultural exhibitions occasions of profit and education to those who attend them. Where the contest is not for speed alone, it is simply a farce to see that one element outweighs all others, as we have seen it more than a hundred times. In some future number we may possibly attempt to put our ideas on this question of a scale of points into some practical and tangible shape; but meantime we most earnestly commend it to the wisdom of the Agricultural Societies and Agricultural Boards of the country. Suppose, for example, a scale was constructed embracing ten points, with ten as perfection at each point; then, in summing up, if the animal under examination should be perfect at every point, the scale would show one hundred to his credit. In this scale let pedigree and speed each constitute one point, while size, symmetry, color, soundness, carriage, quality of limbs, feet, etc., would constitute others. Then, if the little homely animal is able to beat the large, fine young horse, give him the full benefit of that point, and enter it down at the highest possible grade if you choose. If his pedigree is better than the other, give him the full benefit of that also. In short, give him all to which he is entitled, and then turn to the one that was a few lengths behind in the exhibition of speed, and give him the full benefit of all the points he possesses. And let the footings of the two tables determine where the blue ribbon belongs.

The prejudice that has grown up against trotting for prizes at our agricultural exhibitions, we know personally, is not without good ground. We have witnessed the most glaring injustice and wrong perpetrated at such exhibitions by honorable and eminent citizens in the judges' stand. But, notwithstanding the outrages that have become chronic under the incompetency of the judges, we apprehend that a large share

of the real discontent grows out of the almost invariable practice of giving the prize to the horse that is first to the score, without regard to his qualities or usefulness for breeding purposes. If our societies would do the greatest amount of good within the sphere of their usefulness, they must discriminate more closely and wisely between the different types and classes of horses. We believe in contests of speed at our agricultural exhibitions, but let them be for that purpose and type of horse alone. If the same horse can win in the speed class, and also in the park horse class, under the scale of points suggested, by no means deprive his happy owner of the honor of sweeping the platter; for if there is any considerable competition, he must be a very superior animal, and with the two qualifications combined, he is of immense value. But, as the dial of the watch tells the honest story in the one class, so let the scale of points tell an equally honest story in the other. In concluding these thoughts, which we have carried to a much greater length than we intended at this time, we would urge upon all to breed for a specific purpose. If you have the Clydesdale or the Percheron, don't seek to convert him into a race-horse. If you have the race-horse, go to the richest inheritance of racing blood. If you have the trotter, and you are breeding for trotting speed, seek to combine in him the best and fastest trotting crosses. And, if you would produce the elegant park and coach horse, look neither to the puller, the racer, nor the trotter, but only to the horse that possesses the qualities you seek to propagate.

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The New Departure.

ROCK ISLAND, ILL., April 24, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—I have read the peculiar conditions of the Jackson meeting, and approve of its terms in full, it is the first stepping stone towards the interest of western men owning and educating their green trotters. While the *Spirit of the Times* and the *Turf, Field and Farm* find some objections, it will be well for them to wait until the matter is fully understood in all its light before condemning or giving their indirect opinion for the benefit of the turf congress. The strangest thing to me is, when an attempt is made by any association to do what in their judgment will benefit the owners of horses, that our sporting papers should take it up and comment on it, carrying the idea to the public that there is no room for reform, and as in this case of the changes made by the Jackson Association, the public will know just what horses intend to win. Pool buyers will know, and therefore can buy their pools with that knowledge. This peculiar change I say is a step in the right direction for our Western owners and breeders. We have many good green horses, and without being educated in company they are worthless as trotters. Every inducement is held out East to make a man pull his horse West; large purses are given, while small ones are hung up West, making the West comparatively a school for educating and preparing trotters for the Eastern circuit. I claim there is no law that is just, when it compels a man to set the value of his horse up in the pool box for parties who, as a majority, contribute but very little to the existence of either horseman or associations. I also claim that no law is just when it compels a man to pay ten per cent. of the total purse in his class, and not allow him to declare which part of the purse he wishes to trot for. When I pay my entrance fee, all that the association requires, I then have only contracted with them. If a man buys pools on my horse, and I do not choose to win, I should not be held responsible for the foolishness of the party buying pools, for I have made no contract with him—what he wins he puts in his pocket. The spectators have not made a contract with me to trot my horse to the front, and therefore I am under no obligations to them, but I have a perfect right to select any part of the purse I choose to trot for, and it is no person's business but my own. I have paid the debt to the association when they receive my entrance fee, and that fills the bill. With the new Jackson feature no person can be injured, the spectators are aware what horses are trying to win, and when he wins then they know they saw what was understood; the pool-buyer is not injured, and why not allow this strange feature to undergo a rigid test before condemning it. There must be something done for our Western horsemen, or the result will be no trotting in a few years. Changes in the rules can be made that will give confidence to the public, that fair, square trotting will be had at every meeting, from the very beginning in the spring until snow flies, but associations object to it, (when I say the associations, I mean the board at the biennial meetings) they fear it will injure their financial column. Let every horse trot in his class from January until January, then abandon the rules protecting the pool box, compel associations to close their entries ten days ahead, and I will guarantee no man will wait for the Eastern circuit before he starts his horse. Horses will be entered and driven to the front. Entered and educated to trot in company. Every man that has a trotter will start out early, and Western associations will receive more entries thereby. Again, under the new rule judges are allowed to pull a man from behind his horse and substitute a new driver, the driver substituted to be paid for out of the horse's winnings. How unreasonable, how unjust is this rule; the very fact that a driver is not allowed the privilege of satisfying the judges and the public that he is driving his horse to win, places him before the public as a dishonest man, and it is confirmed if the new driver happens to be a man of superior judgment in driving, and the selection is always made from the ranks of veterans. Why not give a man that drives a trotter the same privilege that our common law courts do, there a man's oath is considered equal and places him before the Almighty on the same footing that it should place him with the judges in the stand. Nothing is done that might be, to elevate the driver in the estimation of the public, but on the other hand all the power is given in the hands of the judges and the manipulation of the pool box. I may have a horse worth \$30,000, I pay ten per cent. of the total amount of purse and start him in the race. I declare I don't want to win and won't win; I want to save my horse's record for the Eastern circuit. Every one knows that I have made this declaration and I therefore have the privilege of trotting my horse to educate him, by paying the requisite fee to the association with whom I have jointly made and fulfilled my contract. If there is a Lone Star that wants to experiment, both for their own benefit and that of owners of green horses, in the name of common sense and justice, let them do so. And any sporting paper that attempts to retard the progress of reform, shows a very selfish disposition. It is true, and well-known to many, that the success of the Eastern circuit can be traced, and attributed to the manner our Western associations are conducted. Purse are small, horses are pulled, saved for the East as a record would injure the sale of them in many cases. The East, and eastern papers know it, and therefore will, in any attempt for reform, throw a stem in the wrong direction; the West is strong enough, the rules should be changed, allowing horses to trot in the same class the year through. When that rule is established, the public will see straight, legitimate, bona-fide, up-and-up trotting at the first meetings of the season, as well as the last, and the West will never be able to compete with the East until such is the rule. I will trot at Jackson before going East, but I wouldn't enter at any other place if I conclude to go East. It is my money that brings my trotters, and I do not peddle them around for pool buyers and judges to put a job up on me to win money for them to my detriment, therefore, when I enter, I enter to drive and win, or I will stay at home; as the rules are now, it will keep many from entering, excepting Jackson. I say, Jackson, stick to your programme, whether you are a member or not; give it a trial; horsemen will stick to you. Truly, P. W.

THE NATIONAL TROTTING ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

B-10.—April 14, 1876.—By order of the Point Breeze Park Association, Philadelphia, Pa., Hiram W. Howe, Gravesend, L. I., and the b g Delhi, have been expelled under authority of Rule 14.
B-11.—April 15, 1876.—J. W. Thompson, Philadelphia, Pa., and the g m Ella D., suspended by order of the Schuylkill Valley Agricultural Society, Pottstown, Pa., under date of Nov. 16, 1875, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said entrance money having been paid in full.
J. M. Curtis, Foxcroft, Me., and the b g Fred Logan, suspended by order of the Oakland Park Association, Gardiner, Me., under date of Nov. 10, 1875, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said entrance money having been paid in full.
W. Colby, Titusville, Pa., and the b s Tib, suspended by order of the Erie Park Association, Erie, Pa., under date of August 13, 1874, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said entrance money having been paid in full.
Wentworth & Davis, Madison, Wis., and the ch s Woodpecker Gold-dust, suspended by order of the Earl Park Association, Earlville, Ill., under date of Oct. 6th, 1875, for non-payment of entrance money, have been reinstated, said entrance money having been paid in full.
THOMAS J. VAIL, Secretary.

J. W. Thompson remains under penalty of expulsion imposed by order of the Washington Driving Association, Oct. 27, 1875.
RE-ENTRY OF MR. C. W. MEDINGER.—SAVANNAH, GA., April 10, 1876.—EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD.—Gentlemen:—At a meeting of the Savannah Jockey Club held 28th of March, 1876, Mr. C. W. Medinger, of the late firm of Barton & Medinger, was relieved from the ruling off from the TenBroeck course, said ruling being made February 1st, 1875. The horses are also relieved. The ruling is still in force against Mr. Barton.
J. T. McFARLAND,
Secretary Savannah Jockey Club.

Breeders' Centennial Trotting Meeting.

The following additional entries were received subsequent to the despatch of the list we published last week. Two additional day's trotting will be given, the advertisement for which will appear in the FIELD. The advertisement published last week in our contemporaries is not correct. Messrs. Kellogg & Conley having advised us by telegraph of a change, but to the time of writing the correct programme had not been received.

The Revolution Race, for three-year-olds, for a purse of \$2,500; \$1,200 to first, \$650 to second, \$400 to third, \$250 to fourth; mile heats, in harness; thirty-eight nominations.
L. W. Titus, Los Angeles, Cal., b c Joe Hamilton, by Echo, dam Belle Mason, by Belmont.

Palmer & Morgan, Stonington, Conn., b c Caloric, by Ericsson, dam by Edwin Forrest, second dam by Old Woodford, third dam by Bertrand.

Chas. Hardt, Philadelphia, Pa., g g Kentucky Star, by Joe Downing, dam by Longstreet (son of Benton's Grey Diomed), second dam by Wallace (son of French's Wallace), third dam by Pharaoh.

Chas. T. Whitman, Philadelphia, Pa., ch c Hannibal, by Woodford's Mambrino, dam's pedigree unknown.

R. Penistat, Philadelphia, Pa., b g Leon Medium, by Happy Medium, dam by George M. Patchen.

Joseph S. Beltier, Middle Village, Newton, L. I., b f Laverienne, by Revenge (son of Volunteer), dam by Manalapan, second dam by Lion-mouth Eclipse. Also,

B f La Rose, by Blackwood, dam Lady Mingo, by Iron Duke (son of Cassius M. Clay), second dam by Long Island Black Hawk, third dam by Abdallah.

Davis W. Steel, Philadelphia, Pa., br g Duke Medium, by Happy Medium, dam by Iron Duke.

Robert Steele, Philadelphia, Pa., b f Blanche Medium, by Happy Medium, dam by Voorhees' Abdallah.

Geo. W. Eckstein, Philadelphia, Pa., b f Ethel Medium, by Happy Medium, dam by Harris' Hambletonian.

H. W. T. Mail, Stockbridge, Mass., gr g Bruin, by Robert Bonner (son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian), dam Violet, by Pilot.

George H. Frink, Hartford, Conn., b c Jerome, by Hamilton (son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian), dam Blonde, by Ashland; second dam the Hunn mare, by Emigrant Jr.

Thomas Morton, Newburgh, Orange County, N. Y., br f Melissa, by Wilkins Micawber, dam Miss Brunette, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian; second dam Old Kate, dam of Bruno, Brunette, etc.

Edmund H. Taylor, Jr., Frankfort, Ky., ch f Woomosa, by Woodford's Mambrino, dam Hermosa, by Edwin Forrest; 2d dam Black Rose, by Tom Teemer; 3d dam by Cannon's Whip; 4th dam by Robin Gray.

R. P. Pepper, Frankfort, Ky., c f Cygnet, by Harrod, dam Juliet (dam of Mambrino Pilot), by Pilot Jr.; 2d dam by Webster, 3d dam by Whip.

Calvin Burgin, Richmond, Ky., b c Odd Fellow, by Vindex, dam by Drennon.

The Republic Race, for four-year-olds, for a purse of \$2,500; \$1,200 to first, \$650 to second, \$400 to third, \$250 to fourth; mile heats, 2 in 5, in harness. Twenty-five nominations.

L. H. Titus, Los Angeles, Cal., br m Echorn, by Echo, dam The Young Mare, by Jack Hawkins.

L. Herr, Lexington, Ky., br m El E. Queen, by Mambrino Patchen, dam by Dixie (son of Imp. Arabian Mokhad).

Palmer & Morgan, Stonington, Conn., b c Happy Thought, by Happy Medium, dam by Strader's Cassius M. Clay Jr., second dam by Imp. Glencoe.

William McFadden, Roxborough, Pa., ch s David Wallace, by Mambrino Pilot, dam's pedigree unknown.

R. Penistat, Philadelphia, Pa., br c Glenwood, by Blackwood, dam Katie, (dam of Wait-a-bit), by Imp. Glencoe; second dam by Medoc; third dam by Kosciusko; fourth dam by Blackbura's Whip; fifth dam by Imp. Diomed.

R. West, Georgetown, Ky., b c Consul, by Almont, dam by Wake-up-Jake (son of Bay Messenger); second dam by Hunt's Commodore; third dam by Imp. Non Plus. Also,

B m Bona, by Blackwood, dam by Lost Cause; second dam by Mambrino Chief; third dam by Imp. Margrave.

Robt. Steel, Philadelphia, Pa., b c Blaze Medium, by Happy Medium, dam by Mambrino Chief.

Geo. W. Eckstein, Philadelphia, Pa., b f Minnie Medium, by Happy Medium, dam by Black Bashaw.

Thomas J. Snyder, North Middletown, Ky., ch c Post Boy, by Magic (son of American Clay), dam by Berkeley's Ned Forrest; second dam by Mambrino Chief; third dam by Gray Eagle, etc.

T. B. Williams, Boston, Mass., ch c J. G. Atorill, by Winthrop Morrill; dam's pedigree not given.

A. J. McAlimuin, Nashville, Tenn., b c Bay Fishermen, by Ericsson, dam by Prince Hall; second dam by Belshazzar.

J. N. Williams, Jr., Cynthia, Ky., b m Blanch Amory, by Clark Chief, dam by Pilot Jr.

Pepper & Macey, Frankfort, Ky., b c Woodford Chief (full brother to Commodore Chief), by Clark Chief, dam by Billy Towns (son of Imp. Flyce).

The Independence race, for five-year-olds, for a purse of \$2,500; \$1,200 to first, \$650 to second, \$400 to third, \$250 to fourth; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness. Twenty-one nominations.

Palmer & Morgan, Stonington, Conn., ch s Piedmont, by Almont, dam by Mambrino Chief; second dam by Grey Eagle.

A. J. McAlimuin, Nashville, Tenn., blk s Blackwood Jr., by Blackwood, dam Belle Sheridan, by Blood's Black Hawk.

San Bryant, Nashville, Tenn., b g Warrior, by Indian Chief, dam a Rockaway mare (the dam of Minnie).

Treacy & Nockels, Lexington, Ky., b m Alethea, by Almont, dam Jean Wood, by Malbourne Jr. (thoroughbred).

M. Higvie, Canton, Ill., blk s Gov. Sprague, by Rhode Island, dam Belle Brandon, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian.

Macey Brothers, Versailles, Ky., ch m Maud Macey, by Joe Hooker, dam by Camden.

Brown & Lloyd, Maysville, Ky., b m Hattie Wood, by Strader's C. M. Clay, Jr., dam Spray, by Bay Anson.

R. P. Pepper, Frankfort, Ky., b c Crittenden, by Strader's C. M. Clay, Jr., dam Flora, by Pilot, Jr.; 2d dam Mary, by Monmouth Eclipse; 3d dam by Bertrand; 4th dam by Kosciusko, etc.

H. S. Towne, Superintendent, Morrisville, Vt., b s Auctioneer, by Tattersall (son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian), dam Thoroughbred Ibernia, by Imp. Consternation; 2d dam Roxana, Jr., by American Eclipse; 3d dam Roxana, by Sir Archie; 4th dam Betsy Hazball, by Imp. Sir Harry.

David Muckle, Lexington, Ky., blk m Gilda, by George Wilkes.

The Continental Race for stallions of all ages that have never beaten 2:40 for a purse of \$2,500; \$1,200 to first, \$650 to second, \$400 to third, \$250 to fourth; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness; thirty-five nominations.

A. O. Cummins, Montpelier, Vt., ch s Dagger, by Young America (Hoagland's), dam Kitty Wood, by New Jersey (son of George M. Patchen).

A. C. Greene, Fall River, Mass., b s Ajax, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Dolly Mills, by American star; second dam Jennie Mills, by Black Bashaw.

James A. Farra, Lexington, Ky., b s Bushwhacker, by Joe Hooker (son of Mambrino Chief), dam by Jupiter out of a Grey Eagle mare.

Wm. H. Peck, Hartford, Conn., b s Voltaire, by Tatler, dam Young Portia, by Mambrino Chief; second dam by Roebuck; third dam by Whip (Cook's or Blackburn's).

R. Penistat, Philadelphia, Pa., b s Nil Desperandum, by Belmont, dam Lady McKinney, pedigree unknown.

M. Higbie, Canton, Ill., g s Jim Scriber, by Rhode Island, dam Dutch Girl.

S. E. Ellis, Louisville, Ky., ch s Glencoe Goldust, by Goldust, dam by Green Mountain Blackhawk; second dam by Imp. Glencoe.

J. P. Smith, Louisville, Ky., b s Robby Goldust, by Goldust, dam Queen, by Vermont Morgan; second dam Swartz Mare.

R. M. Anderson, Nashville, Tenn. (E. B. Elliott), b s Enfield, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Julia Macfies (full sister to Widow Macfies), by American Star.

T. T. Oliver, Cincinnati, O., b s Scott's Thomas, by Gen. George H. Thomas, dam unknown.

B. H. Colegrove, Sharpsburg, Ky., b s Whipple, by Whipple's Hambletonian (son of Guy Miller), dam Tipso Mare, known as Maria Mink.

James McKee, Patterson, N. J., b s Fleetwood, by Happy Medium, dam by Vernon's Black Hawk; second dam by Long Island Black Hawk.

H. B. Wade, Jefferson, Ashtabula Co., O., br s New York, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Lady Finch, by Sayres' Harry Clay; second dam by Prince Duroc.

R. P. Pepper, Frankfort, Ky., b s Pasacoe, by Almont, dam Glory, by Jackson's Western Star; second dam by Bonerages; third dam by Gallatin.

Wm. A. Smith, Warwick, N. Y., s Rapid Thought, by Dr. Paroley, dam by Bertrand; second dam by Shyluck (son of Duroc).

Geo. F. Davis, Windsor, Vt., ch s Robert Fulton, by Dominion, dam by L. I. Logan (son of Andrew Jackson); second dam by Crane Horse (son of Sherman Morgan).

Names Claimed.

MARY B.—I claim the name of "Mary B" for my bay mare. Is 15½ hands high, 8 years old, two white hind feet above ankle joint; by sucker Boy, dam by Hill's Black Hawk. O. WOODSWORTH, Bloomington, Ill.

Veterinary.

Unsoundness of Wind.

Roaring or whistling, when they are fully developed, may generally be detected without difficulty by putting the horse into a canter; but in some cases, when the disease is in the incipient stage, the sounds can only be heard when the pace is very moderate, and often only when the animal starts off. The reason of this is that the obstruction to the passage of air into the lungs is so slight that the expansion of the air tubes during excited breathing removes it altogether, and the horse appears to be sound; but in very decided cases of roaring the sound becomes more and more marked as the exertion is continued, and the fact of the animal becoming distressed and making more noise at the end of a gallop than he did at the beginning is a clear proof that the affection is thoroughly established, and likely to get worse in the future. In making an examination of a horse which is suspected to be a roarer, the best plan is to start him suddenly at a canter for a short distance, and then pull him up as short as possible. Slight sounds, which are not distinguishable when the horse is going, will be very audible if the ear is placed close to the nostrils immediately the movement is arrested; and in this way slight defects, which might otherwise escape notice, are detected. It may appear that a sound which is so slight as to escape observation while a horse is going at a moderate speed is not of sufficient importance to demand special notice, and, if it were the case that abnormal sounds showed a tendency to remain in a fixed condition, the objection would have some weight; but the slightest noise of an unhealthy character is an indication of the commencement of a disease, which is almost certain to advance to the condition in which it seriously affects the horse's respiratory powers. There is no way of describing in so many words the peculiarities which distinguish an unhealthy from the healthy respiratory sound. Close observation is necessary to educate the ear to appreciate the natural and morbid sounds which are made during respiration. When there is a distinct whistle or roar, no one can fail to recognize it as an unhealthy sound; but there are noises which are close on the confines of the natural sounds, and the practiced observer requires his attention to be concentrated on the examination in order to decide whether or not any defect exists.

The differences of opinion which are constantly met with among competent horsemen as to the existence or otherwise of unsoundness in the wind, are sufficient evidence that there are many cases in which the departure from the healthy sound is not so marked as to be readily distinguished. Extraordinary cases of roaring, in which it has been impossible to decide at first whether the sounds were merely the result of some peculiar habit or depended on disease of the respiratory organs, have been from time to time recorded. These cases are very unsatisfactory to everybody concerned, the professional examiner especially, because, whatever view he may take, there are facts to be advanced on the opposite side. That there are a few eccentric horses which make unnatural noises at times, quite irrespective of any disease of the air tubes, is beyond all doubt. Fortunately, such cases are very rare, and if the existence of a bad habit exposes the horse to the stigma of being an unsound animal, no one ought to complain. It is probable, however, that the owner, who knows the animal's qualities, does not take this view of the matter, and protests against a verdict of unsoundness in the case of a horse which long experience has convinced him is perfectly sound, notwithstanding the objectionable noises which he makes on occasion in his breathing.

Various causes of roaring and whistling are enumerated by veterinary pathologists. Whistling is most likely to be caused by some obstruction in the nasal cavities, which, by diminishing the size of the tube through which the air passes, causes the pitch of the note produced to be elevated. The same effect will result from thickening of the mucous membrane at the opening of the larynx. Distortion of the cavity of larynx or trachea is not uncommon cause of roaring—the one condition is due to loss of power of the laryngeal muscles on one side, generally the left one; the other is a natural consequence of the bent position of the neck which follows from the improper use of the bearing rein.

The presence of a tumor in the guttural pouches, in such a position that the side of the larynx is pressed, is an occasional cause of roaring, and the symptoms induced are very marked in such cases; the animal under exertion becomes excessively distressed, and it is necessary to allow him to rest in order to avoid suffocation. If the tumor is temporary in its nature, as in the case of an abscess, it is essential to keep the animal perfectly quiet until the process of suppuration is completed, and the contents of the tumor are excavated by bursting, or by the aid of the lancet; but in cases of premature tumors, as those of a scrofulous kind or fibro-fatty structure, there is no hope of cure, because, from the position of the deposit, an operation would be attended with a great amount of risk, and would besides be of doubtful efficacy, as there would generally be left enough deposit on the mucous tissue to cause some noise in respiration, although the actual relief to the animal might be considerable.

Treatment of ordinary cases of roaring or whistling, with a view to the restoration of soundness, is generally a very unsatisfactory affair. Different plans have been at various times advocated, and if it can be truly alleged that any method has succeeded in curing a whistler or roarer, the system is straightway lauded as infallible; and the result is that confiding horsemen subject their unfortunate animals to various degrees of punishment, in most cases without any benefit. When the abnormal sound depends on some recent deposit, which would in all probability be removed by a natural process of absorption as the acute disease which gave rise to it subsides, any form of counter-irritation will, to some extent, assist the removal of the morbid matter, and thus obtain the credit of doing what the unaided powers of the organism would have done in time; but in cases of roaring or whistling of long standing, counter-irritants are quite powerless, and their application only inflicts pain on the animal, without any chance of removing the cause of the mischief.

Severe blistering of the surface along the course of the trachea, firing the same part, applying setons from the jaw to the chest, are plans of counter-irritation which have been advocated as means of cure, but in reality, in most cases, the use of them amounts to an act of unmeaning brutality. The operation, which has been successfully adopted in some cases, of removing a portion of cartilage at the opening of the larynx, is only likely to be beneficial when the disease is due to loss of power of the muscles, which allows the walls of the organ to fall inwards, and thus diminish the area of the cavity. As this is a common cause of roaring, the operation may be successful in many instances; but there are no means of determining beforehand whether this condition exists, and if it is not present no benefit would be gained, and possibly injury might result. The proceeding, therefore, borders on the empirical, and, except as an experiment, should seldom be attempted. A roarer may be kept in worable condition by a careful system of management, regulation of diet and exercise, and the avoidance of irregular and severe work; but it is rarely worth while to attempt a radical cure by the aid of medicine and surgery.—*London Field.*

Live Stock.

NEW SPECIES OF SHEEP.—From the Peruvian Andes some specimens of sheep have been received in England, being representatives of two rare and distinct breeds. The *Agricultural Gazette*, (England,) furnishes the following particulars regarding them:

"The first are two fine white-wooled sheep, each having four long massive horns, two of which have a forward curve over the head, while the other two curve downwards, under the eyes, which gives the head a singular but handsome appearance. These are brought from Peru by Mr. J. I. Watts, of Whistley, near Devizes, who discovered them, during his recent travels in the Andes Mountains, at an elevation of some 8,000 or 9,000 feet above the level of the sea, and they are reported to be very hardy. The second lot much resembles the alpaca. There are three—one male and two females—and they are thickly covered with long, dark brown, but exceedingly fine hair or wool, which is highly prized by the native Indians for the manufacture of their more delicate fabrics. The male stands about three feet high at the shoulders. Their peculiarly formed heads, long necks, large shaggy legs, and general character will insure them a large share of attention. These also are from the Peruvian Andes, and inhabit the highest and more exposed situations, and are imported by Mr. Anthony Gibbs, of London."

A PROLIFIC COW.—A cow belonging to W. P. Howard, near Chesapeake City, Md., gave birth to four calves at one time. The calves are living and doing well.

Racing and Trotting.

Louisiana Jockey Club.

CONTINUATION OF THE SPRING RACES.—GOOD WEATHER AND LARGE ATTENDANCE.—A SUCCESSFUL MEETING.
[From our Special Correspondent.]

NEW ORLEANS, April 18th, 1876.

The pleasant weather of the last two days had materially improved the going qualities of the track, and to-day was perfectly delightful, causing an increased attendance of visitors. It was nearly all local support, however, for the strangers from Tennessee, Kentucky, and other horse breeding States were few in number, though the regular frequenters of the race meetings of course were on hand. In the inner field the lines of carriages filled with the beauty and fashion of the Crescent City formed a beautiful sight from the grand stand, which was equally resplendent in gay toilettes and lovely women.

The racing is our mission, however, and we must turn to the day's programme, which consisted of three races, including the Louisiana Stake. First came a three-quarters of a mile race for all ages, with seven starters. Osseo was made a warm favorite, though the reason for this is hardly apparent, as he has never shown himself capable of winning a race in even moderate company, and is a different sort of an animal from his half sister, the flying Ollipha. He could get no nearer than second to Verdigris, a good reliable horse at all distances, and one whose claims to be backed, were much stronger than the favorites. Alton secured the \$30 for third horse, and the four unplaced were Asterite, Mollie B, Springlet and Tom O'Neil. The Louisiana Stake followed, and as only Volcano, Pompey's Pillar and Nannie F. were started out of the eight nominations, it was naturally long odds on the son of Vandal. He won the first heat very easily in 3:42½, and the mare was distanced. In the second heat Pompey's Pillar outstayed the favorite and won by three lengths. Volcano was slightly lame after pulling up, and the odds consequently changed to 5 to 1 on Pompey's Pillar, who at once forced the pace in the third heat until after passing the half-mile pole Volcano lurched across the track and pulled up a broken-down racer. His off fore-leg was broken above the knee, and thus came to a sudden termination the turf career of this rather unfortunate and disappointing horse. The last race was of one mile for all ages, with 100 lbs. on each, three-year-olds carrying their proper weight. Seven started in this race, Survivor being made favorite, with Kilburn as second choice. In the result of the race these positions were reversed, Capt. Hutchinson was third, and Falmouth, Puss Broadnax, Capt. Reeder and Cariboo unplaced. Unlike Saturday's racing, the results were all against the backers of the favorites. The following is the detailed report of the racing:

THREE-QUARTERS OF A MILE.

LOUISIANA JOCKEY CLUB, SPRING MEETING, NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Second day, April 18, 1876.—First race—Three-quarters of a mile, for all ages, Club purse \$250; first horse, \$300; second horse, \$30, third horse, \$20.
F. Lloyd's ch c Verdigris, 4 yrs, by Versailles—Belle Brandon, 104 lbs. McGrath 1
W. Cottrill's ch c Osseo, 3 yrs, 96 lbs. Ben Edwards 2
G. B. Morris' b g Alton, 4 yrs, 100 lbs. Rodolph 3
L. A. Hitchcock's ch f Springlet, 4 yrs, 101 lbs. Thompson 0
J. F. Wilson's b g Tom O'Neil, 5 yrs, 107 lbs. Hughes 0
N. B. Cheatham's b c Asterite, 4 yrs, 104 lbs. Robinson 0
W. Brady's b f Mollie B, 4 yrs, 97 lbs. Collins 0
Time, 1:17½.

Pools: Osseo, \$190; Verdigris, \$52; Springlet, \$33; Tom O'Neil, \$31. The field, \$31. They got off at the fourth attempt. Mollie B. cutting out the work, with Verdigris and Tom O'Neil in attendance, and clear of the remainder of the field, and they were all bunched together. At the far turn Mollie B. gave way to Verdigris and Osseo at the same time, drawing forward, they came on into the straight with a clear lead, and the non-favorite staying the longest, won by half-a-length; six lengths between second and third. Time, 1:17½.

LOUISIANA STAKE.

Second Race—The Louisiana Stake, for four-year-olds; \$35 entrance, p. v., with \$700 added; second horse to receive \$300; two-mile heats. A. Wardell's, ch c Pompey's Pillar, by Uncle Vic—Amanda Buford, 104 lbs. Hughes 2 2 1
C. Peine's, b c Volcano, 104 lbs. Miller and Lakeland 1 2 dis
F. O. Minor's, ch f Nannie F., 101 lbs. Cannon dis
Time, 3:42½; 3:46½; 4:17½.

First heat—Pools: Volcano, \$330; The Field, \$90. The favorite led for half-a-mile, when Pompey's Pillar went to the front for another quarter, to give way again to Volcano who was never headed again and won by five lengths. Nannie F. badly distanced. Time, 3:42½.
Second Heat—3 to 1 on Volcano. Pompey's Pillar at once went on ahead and led by six lengths at the end of the first mile, and this position he maintained to the finish. Time, 3:46½.

Third heat—5 to 1 on Pompey's Pillar. Volcano, who was ridden by W. Lakeland in this heat, came out anything but fit for another trial, and he had only gone a little over half-a-mile when his off fore-leg gave way and broke above the knee. Pompey's Pillar, who was then some distance ahead, went on at his leisure and won the heat and race in 4:17½.

Third Race—One mile, with 100 lbs on each, three-year-olds to carry their proper weight; 3 lbs allowed to mares and geldings. Club purse \$300; first horse \$250, second horse \$30, third horse \$20.
C. Peine's, ch g Kilburn, 5 yrs, by Ringmaster—Ontario, 97 lbs; Miller 1
A. M. Burton's, b h Survivor, aged, 100 lbs. Hughes 2
F. Lloyd's, b g Capt. Hutchinson, aged, 97 lbs. McGrath 3
F. O. Minor's, b h Falmouth, aged, 100 lbs. Cannon 0
W. Cottrill's ch f Puss Broadnax, 4 yrs, 97 lbs. Sweet 0
L. A. Hitchcock's b h Cariboo, aged, 100 lbs. W. Lakeland 0
W. Thomas' b g Capt. Reeder, 97 lbs. Native 0
Time, 1:45.

Survivor was first favorite, with Kilburn second choice. Cariboo led to the turn, where he was passed by Kilburn, Survivor, Falmouth and Capt. Hutchinson in turn. These four maintained their relative positions until they entered the home stretch, when Falmouth gave way to Capt. Hutchinson. Kilburn won by half a length from Survivor, who beat Capt. Hutchinson by several lengths. Time, 1:45.

THE THIRD DAY.

NEW ORLEANS, April 19, 1876.

To-day was but a counterpart of yesterday so far as the weather and attendance were concerned, both being excellent. The sport provided consisted of three club purses, one of a mile and an eighth, one of three miles, and the last of mile heats. First came the short dash, and it had six starters—Verdigris, Enlistar, Harry Hill, Tom O'Neil Osseo, and Newbern. Verdigris had most friends, but speculation varied considerably before the starting time came. It was a good race all the way between the three first named, but they finished in the reverse order, Harry Hill beating Enlistar by a head, with Verdigris half a length behind. The three-mile race was a foregone conclusion for Sam Harper against Busy Bee and Falmouth, and he won with ease by half a dozen lengths, Busy Bee being a poor third. Three started in the mile heat race, with Capt. Hutchinson the favorite against Mollie B. and Puss Broadnax, and he won in two heats; time, 1:48½, 1:49½; Mollie B. being distanced in the last heat. The sport, with the exception of the opening race, was rather tame, and although two favorites won, those who went for first choice had to bait with a whale to catch a mackerel, and could not have recovered their loss on the first race.

ONE MILE AND AN EIGHTH.

LOUISIANA JOCKEY CLUB.—SPRING MEETING.—NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Third day, Wednesday, April 19, 1876.

First Race—Club purse \$350, for all ages; first horse \$250; second horse \$75; third horse \$25. One mile and an eighth.
John Fank's b c Harry Hill, 3 yrs, by Virgil—Lark, 90 lbs. 1
G. B. Morris' b c Enlistar, 4 yrs, 104 lbs. 2
F. Lloyd's ch c Verdigris, 4 yrs, 104 lbs. 3
N. B. Cheatham's b h Newbern, 4 yrs, 104 lbs. 0
W. Cottrill's ch c Osseo, 3 yrs, 96 lbs. 0
J. F. Wilson's b g Tom O'Neil, 5 yrs, 107 lbs. 0
Time: 1:59.

Pools: Verdigris, \$160; Newbern, \$85; Enlistar, \$50; Harry Hill, \$50. Newbern led out, and passed the stand in advance of Verdigris and Osseo, with O'Neil, Harry Hill and Enlistar close up. Going round to the quarter pole Osseo went to the front, but shortly after gave way to Verdigris; Harry Hill at the same time coming up until he ran into second place on the far turn. Enlistar joined the leading pair as they came round into the straight, and a good race all the way home resulted in Harry Hill beating Enlistar by a head, with Verdigris half a length behind. Newbern was fourth, and Osseo and O'Neil brought up the tail end. Time, 1:59.

THREE MILES.

Second race. Club purse, for all ages, \$600; first horse \$500; second horse \$60; third horse \$40; three miles.
T. A. Gay's b h Sam Harper, 5 yrs, by Rebel—Mary Kimbron, 110 lbs. 1
F. O. Minor's b h Falmouth, aged, 115 lbs. 2
L. A. Hitchcock's ch m Busy Bee, 5 yrs, 107 lbs. 3
Time, 5:43½.

Pools: Sam Harper was not sold; Falmouth \$40; Busy Bee \$25. Busy Bee made the running for a mile and three quarters, followed by Sam Harper, and Falmouth last. Harper then went by Busy Bee, and led at the end of the second mile; Falmouth also passed the mare, who tired away to nothing on the last mile. Sam Harper beat Falmouth easily by half-a-dozen lengths, with Busy Bee fifty yards further off. Time, 5:43½.

MILE HEATS.

Third race. Club purse for all ages, \$400; first horse, \$300; second horse, \$100; mile heats.
F. Lloyd's b g Capt. Hutchinson, aged, by Voucher, dam by Zero, 112 lbs. 1 1
W. Cottrill's ch f Puss Broadnax, 4 yrs, 101 lbs. 2 2
W. Brady's b f Mollie B., 4 yrs, 101 lbs. 3 dis
Time—1:48½, 1:49½.

First Heat.—The three kept close together until they entered the home stretch, when Capt. Hutchinson drew away and won by five lengths from Puss Broadnax. Time, 1:48½.

Second Heat.—10 to 1 on Capt. Hutchinson, who took the lead at once, and keeping it, won by three lengths. Mollie B. distanced. Time, 1:49½.

THE FOURTH DAY.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., April 20, 1876.

The attendance to-day showed a slight falling off from previous days, and it was hardly to be expected with the small prospective outlook for sport that it could be otherwise. In each of the three races only three horses started, and the respective winners had little trouble in beating their two opponents. The racing does not call for any particular mention beyond the details of the running.

SELLING RACE.

LOUISIANA JOCKEY CLUB SPRING MEETING, NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Fourth day, Thursday, April 20, 1876.—First race—Selling race. Club purse \$300; first horse \$300, second horse \$75, third horse \$25; one mile and a quarter.

C. Peine's ch g Kilburn, 5 yrs, by Ringmaster—Ontario (\$1,000), 100 lbs. 1
G. B. Morris' b g Alton, 4 yrs (\$500), 86 lbs. 2
L. A. Hitchcock's ch f Springlet, 4 yrs (\$1,000), 94 lbs. 3
Time—2:13½.

Pools: Kilburn, \$200; the field, \$130. Kilburn took the lead early in the race, and going along about his business, won handily, Springlet some distance behind Alton. Time, 2:13½.

ONE MILE AND A HALF.

Second race—Club purse \$350, for all ages; first horse \$300, second horse \$30, third horse \$20; one mile and a half.
W. Cottrill's ch f Ascension, 4 yrs, by Australian—Lilly Ward, 101 lbs. 1
A. M. Burton's b h Survivor, aged, 115 lbs. 2
J. F. Wilson's b c Jack Trigg, 4 yrs, 104 lbs. 3
Time—2:42½.

Pools: Ascension, \$200; Survivor, \$100; Jack Trigg, \$25. This was a repetition of the first race, Ascension going away with the lead and keeping it throughout, winning easily from Survivor, with Jack Trigg a bad third. Time, 2:42½.

MILE HEATS.

Third race—Club purse \$500, for all ages; first horse \$400, second horse \$100; mile heats, 3 in 5.
N. B. Cheatham's b c Newbern, 4 yrs, by Vandal—Lena Hardington, 104 lbs. 1 1 1
G. B. Morris' gr c Enlistar, 4 yrs, 104 lbs. 2 2 2
F. Lloyd's b g Port Leonard, aged, 112 lbs. 3 3 3
Time—1:47, 1:45, 1:48½.

First heat—Pools: Enlistar, \$100; Newbern, \$65; Port Leonard, \$30. Newbern was quickest away and held his own till well into the straight when Enlistar made his effort, but failing to catch the leader, was beaten by a length. Time, 1:47.

Second heat—Pools: Newbern, \$240; Enlistar, \$75; Port Leonard, \$50. Newbern again led all the way from the start, and won by a length, with Port Leonard a bad third. Time, 1:45.

Third heat. There was no betting on this heat, Newbern repeating his former tactics, went off in front, was never headed, and won with great ease. Time, 1:48.

THE FIFTH DAY.

NEW ORLEANS, April 21, 1876.

With the attractions of the hurdle race, the jumping element being a popular one, a much larger assemblage found its way out to the track, the roads to which were very dusty and disagreeable to those who started late. For the hurdle race seven started—Port Leonard, Vandal Jr., Astrapee, Pompey Smash, Busy Bee, Cariboo and Col. Nelligan. The latter having shown such good jumping abilities on the first day of the meeting, was of course made the favorite, but many fancied Vandal Jr., who sold as second choice, the others being bunched as the field. At the first hurdle Port Leonard and his jockey parted company. Busy Bee made the best of her way in front for a mile and a quarter, when the favorite went up to her, and shortly after taking the lead kept it to the end. At the last hurdle, Cariboo and Vandal Jr., fell, leaving the other four to finish the race by themselves. In the handicap race the respective merits of Kilburn and Verdigris had been a matter of much speculation, but the scratching of the latter left Kilburn in command, while Springlet, Jack Trigg and Mollie B. sold as the field. In the first heat Springlet took the lead, and Kilburn refraining from making any great effort the ally won the heat. In the second and third heats, however, Kilburn proved his superiority, and Springlet had to be content with second money. W. Lakeland rode the winner in the last heat in place of Miller. The last race was a match between Stampede and Capt. Hutchinson, and the five-year-old had the race in hand all the way, coming away on the last half mile and beating the Captain by about seven lengths. This terminated a good day's sport in a very satisfactory manner.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE.

LOUISIANA JOCKEY CLUB.—SPRING MEETING.—NEW ORLEANS.—Fifth day, Friday, April 21, 1876.—First Race.—Handicap hurdle race. Two miles. Club purse, \$300; first horse \$25, second horse \$50, third horse \$25.

Wm. Cottrill's b h Col. Nelligan, 5 yrs, by Harry of the West—Emeline, 145 lbs. 1
L. A. Hitchcock's ch m Busy Bee, 5 yrs, 127 lbs. McLoughlin 1
H. Van Lieu's ch h Pompey Smash, 5 yrs, 115 lbs. Metcalf 2
W. Brady's gr h Astrapee, 5 yrs, 115 lbs. Monroe 0
L. A. Hitchcock's b h Cariboo, aged, 135 lbs. James 0
Thos. Murray's ch h Vandal, Jr., 5 yrs, 142 lbs. McGinnis 0
F. Lloyd's b g Port Leonard, aged, 132 lbs. Wilbur 0
Time—3:53.

Pools: Col. Nelligan \$180, Vandal, Jr. \$170, the field \$90. After a slight delay the lot were dispatched well together, Busy Bee taking the lead, attended by Vandal Jr., the others being all in a bunch. At the first hurdle Wilbur was thrown, and Port Leonard was thus left to his own devices. On the backstretch Col. Nelligan ran up alongside the leader, but was pulled back again, and Busy Bee led round the first mile and passed the stand clear of Col. Nelligan and Astrapee. Vandal Jr., Cariboo and Pompey Smash coming along in that order. At the next turn Col. Nelligan deprived Busy Bee of the lead, and keeping in front won easily by several lengths. Vandal Jr. and Cariboo came to grief at the last hurdle, leaving Pompey Smash and Astrapee to finish third and fourth, which they did at long intervals. Time, 3:53.

FREE HANDICAP.

Second Race.—Free handicap; Club purse, \$400; first horse \$300, second horse \$100; mile heats.

C. Peine's ch g Kilburn, 5 yrs, by Ringmaster—Ontario, 107 lbs, Miller—Lakeland 2 1 1
L. A. Hitchcock's ch f Springlet, 4 yrs, 90 lbs, Booth 1 3 2
J. F. Wilson's b c Jack Trigg, 4 yrs, 90 lbs, Williams 4 2 ro
W. Brady's b f Mollie B., 4 yrs, 85 lbs, Hoy 3 4 ro
First heat—Pools: Kilburn, \$400; the field, \$300. As soon as the drum was tapped Springlet jumped off in front, and with a clear lead of Kilburn showed the way to the homestretch where Kilburn came up to her, but the filly making an effort again drew away, and Kilburn not being called upon, she won by a little over a length. Time, 1:47½.

Second heat. They got away well together, Mollie B. showing in advance to the turn, when Kilburn went by her, and keeping the lead, won easily, Jack Trigg getting second place with Springlet third, and Mollie B. last. Time, 1:47.

Third heat. Kilburn jumped away with the lead, was never headed, and won the heat and race with great ease in 1:51¼. Time—1:47½, 1:47, 1:51¼.

Third Race.—One mile and three-quarters for all ages. Club purse, \$400; first horse \$300, second horse \$75, third horse \$25. W. Cottrill's ch h Stampede, 5 yrs, by War Dance—Dolly Morgan, 110 lbs, 1
F. Loyd's b g Capt. Hutchinson, aged, 112 lbs, 2
Time—3:13½.

There was but little betting at long odds on Stampede, who lay with Capt. Hutchinson for the first mile, when the latter tired, and the favorite going away, won easily by seven lengths. Time, 3:13½.

THE SIXTH DAY.

NEW ORLEANS, April 22, 1876.

The concluding act in the equine drama at New Orleans was performed to-day, in presence of a large audience of interested spectators. The races consisted of the Fortuna Stake for three-year-olds, one mile and a half; a consolation race of one mile; and the four-mile heat race. The latter event always induces the old-timers to visit the race track, and they must have been sadly disappointed to-day when Sam Harper brought the race to an abrupt conclusion, by distancing his only competitor, Falmouth, in the first heat. Harry Hill won a clever victory from Osseo and Southern Express in the Fortuna Stake, the two latter representing Capt. Cottrill's stable. For the Consolation race three beaten horses, Survivor, Enlistar and Puss Broadnax started, and the first two made a good race for first place, the old horse winning by half a length in 1:44½, very good time for this course.

Taking the meeting as a whole, it was a very successful affair, the attendance being good throughout the week, and the racing very fair, though the number of starters in some of the races hardly came up to the standard. Capt. Conner was as usual indefatigable in the execution of his duties as clerk of the course.

THE FORTUNA STAKE.

LOUISIANA JOCKEY CLUB, SPRING MEETING, NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Sixth day—April 22, 1876.—The Fortuna Stake for three-year-olds, colts 100 lbs, fillies 97 lbs, \$25 entrance, p. p., with \$700 added, the second horse to receive \$150, the third \$50, winner of the Pickwick Stake to carry 7 lb extra. One mile and a half.
John Funk's br c Harry Hill, by Virgil—Lark, 110 lbs, 1
W. Cottrill's ch c Osseo, 104 lbs, 2
W. Cottrill's ch f Southern Express, 101 lbs, 3
Time—2:42½.

Pools: Harry Hill, \$100; Capt. Cottrill's pair, \$25. Osseo started off to make the pace but he could only keep in front for three quarters of a mile when the favorite closed with him. They kept company till reaching the head of the straight when Harry Hill drew away and won by several lengths, Southern Express a bad third. Time, 2:42½.

THE CONSOLATION RACE.

Second Race.—A consolation race for horses that have run and not won during the meeting. Purses \$300, \$225 to first, \$50 to second and \$25 to third. One mile.
J. M. Burton's b h Survivor, aged, by Vandal, dam by Lexington, 115 lbs, 1
G. B. Morris's gr c Enlistar, 4 yrs, 104 lbs, 2
W. Cottrill's ch f Puss Broadnax, 101 lbs, 3
Time—1:44½.

Pools: Survivor, \$350; Enlistar, \$170; Puss Broadnax, \$50. At the drum tap Survivor and Puss Broadnax went off together, Enlistar getting under way slowly; gradually closing the gap he came up to Puss Broadnax on the third quarter, and in the straight made an effort to beat Survivor, but the old horse held his own and won cleverly by half a length; six lengths between second and third. Time, 1:44½.

FOUR-MILE HEATS.

Third Race.—Club purse \$1,200; \$1,000 to first, \$200 to second. Four mile heats.
T. A. Gay's b h Sam Harper, 5 yrs, by Rebel—Mary Kimbroun, 110 lbs, 1
F. O. Minor's b h Falmouth, aged, 115 lbs, dis.
Time—7:42.

Pools: 10 to 1 on Sam Harper. The non-favorite made the running for a mile and three quarters when he began to tire, and Sam Harper going away by himself double distanced Falmouth. Time 7:42.

Trotting at Indianapolis.

A gentleman's roadster race took place on the Exposition track, on Saturday, the 22d, for a silver pitcher; the track, weather and attendance were all that could be desired.

SUMMARY.

EXHIBITION TRACK, April 22.—Prize, silver pitcher; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness.
John Kattenhorn's br g Brown Frank, 110 lbs, 1 1 2 1
G. W. Dickey's wh g White Line, 110 lbs, 2 2 1 2
M. McDonald's blk g Coal Oil Johnny, 110 lbs, 3 3 3 3
Time—2:04½, 3:00, 3:00, 3:03.

Nashville Blood Horse Association.

PROGRAMME OF THE SPRING MEETING.

FIRST DAY—TUESDAY, MAY 2, 1876.

The Young America Stake, for two-year-olds, (colts and fillies); entrance \$25, p. p., association to add \$200; second horse to have \$50 out of the stakes; half a mile.

Glen Gulie,	Dan Kinney,	Belle Meade,
Beersheba,	Clara L.,	Spring Branch,
Class Mate,	Barbara,	Belle Isle,
King William,	Bathgate,	Alice Murphy,
Annie C.,	Young Kitty,	Beil de Mona,

The O'Connor Stake, for three-year-olds, (colts and fillies); entrance \$25, p. p.; Major O'Connor to add \$250; second horse to have \$50 out of the stakes; one mile and a half.

Emma Jackson,	Dave Saxon,	Mark Twain,
Woodland,	Grit,	Jack Shepherd,
Tecalco,	Malmistic,	Steploe,
Amanda Warren,	Phoebe H.,	Alfred Wynn,
Mediator,	The Nipper,	Chestnut Oaks,

Association Purse, \$250; mile heats.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY, MAY 3.

The Nashville Cup, for all ages; entrance \$50, p. p.; association to add \$500; second horse to have \$100 out of the stakes; two miles and a quarter.

Breakaman, 4 yrs,	Ozark, 4 yrs,	Fair Play, 5 yrs,
Highwayman, 4 yrs,	Weatherby, 4 yrs,	Ventilator, 4 yrs,
Damon, 4 yrs,	Asterite, 4 yrs,	Newbern, 4 yrs,
	Kilburn, 5 yrs,	

Association Purse, \$150; one mile.

Association Purse, \$150; one mile and a quarter.

THIRD DAY—THURSDAY, MAY 4.

The Cumberland Stake, for three-year-olds; subscription \$50, half forfeit; the association to add \$500; mile heats.

Bombay,	Hertzog,	Nachouchee,
Ch c, by War Dance—Sue Dougherty,		Brenna,
Mediator,	Donough,	Lemonade,
Southern Express,	Creedmoor,	Glasgow,
Harangue,	Steploe,	Newport,
Calomel,	Woodland,	Yandell,
Analysis,	Sister to Springbok,	Tecalco,
B f, by Harry of the West—Kathleen,		Malmistic,
Ch g, by Harry of the West—Mattie Morgan,		Jack Shepherd,
Henry Owen,	Plenty,	The Milkmaid,
Skylight,	Pluto,	Minnie Woods,
B f, by Blarneystone—Geneva,		Minnie Morgan,
B c, by Melbourne—Woodford Belle,		

Association Purse, \$150; one mile and a eighth.

Association Purse, \$200; one mile and a half.

FOURTH DAY—FRIDAY, MAY 5.

Association Purse, \$400; two-mile heats.

Association Purse, \$250; mile heats.

Association Purse, \$150; for two-year-olds, the winner of the Young America Stake to carry five pounds penalty; three-quarters of a mile.

FIFTH DAY—SATURDAY, MAY 6.

The Maxwell House Stake, for three-year-olds, (colts and fillies); entrance \$25, p. p., the Maxwell House to add \$300; second horse to have \$50 out of the stakes; mile and a half.

Prince Albert,	Dave Saxon,	Mark Twain,
Woodland,	Grit,	Jack Shepherd,
Tecalco,	Malmistic,	Steploe,
Amanda Warren,	Phoebe H.,	Remington,
	The Nipper,	

Association Purse, \$150; one mile and a quarter.

Association Purse, \$250, for beaten horses; \$175 to the first horse, \$50 to the second, \$25 to the third; horses beaten once allowed seven lbs.; twice, eleven lbs.; three times, fourteen lbs.; mile heats.

GEO. W. DARDEN, Secretary. W. A. JOHNSON, President.

Racing in England.

NEWMARKET CRAYEN MEETING.

[By Cable.]

NEWMARKET, April 19, 1876.—The Newmarket handicap of 25 sovs. each, 15 forfeit and three only if declared, with 400 sovs. added, for three-year-olds and upward, winners extra. The last mile and a half of B. C. (58 subs., 32 of whom declared forfeit.)

Mr. Alex. Baltazzi's b c Scottish Chief, out of Artemis, 4 years, 90 lbs, 1
Mr. H. Jennings' br h Premier Mai, by Fort a Bras, or Charlatan, out of Taffarett, 5 years, 115 lbs, 2
Sir J. D. Astley's br c The Rascal, by Loiterer, or Broomielaw, out of Christmas Pie, 3 years, 85 lbs, 3

Ten started. The betting was 3 to 1 against Velveten (who finished seventh), 4 to 1 against the Artemis colt, 10 to 1 against The Rascal, and 12 to 1 against Premier Mai. Mate was one of the original entries for this race, being handicapped at 124 lbs, but he was declared out.

THE FIRST RACE OF THE AMERICAN HORSES—PREAKNESS RUNS FOURTH WITH THE TOP WEIGHT.

NEWMARKET, April 20, 1876.—Free handicap of 20 sovs. each, 5 sovs. forfeit to the fund, with 200 sovs. added, for three-year-olds and upward. Eighteen subscribers. R. M. One mile and seventeen yards.

Mr. W. S. Crawford's b c Maitland, 4 yrs, by Lord Lyon, out of H. M. E., 89 lbs, 1
Mr. B. Gilpin's b h Berryfield, 5 yrs, by Thunderbolt, out of Francesca, by Newminster, 105 lbs (inc. 10 lbs ex), 2
Prince Bathyan's b h Delay, aged, by Loiterer, dam by Orlando, 98 lbs, 3

Mr. M. H. Sanford's b h Preakness, aged, by Lexington, out of Bay Leaf (bred in America), 126 lbs, 4
Mr. T. V. Morgan's b h Lord Gowran, 6 yrs, by Lord Clifden, dam by Merry Andrew, 124 lbs, 5
Sir G. Chetwynd's gr c The Grey Palmer, 4 yrs, by The Palmer, out of Sister to Little Lady, 95 lbs, 6

Of the eighteen subscribers six came to the starting point. These were M. H. Sanford's Preakness, with 126 lbs., the top weight; Mr. B. Gilpin's Berryfield, 105 lbs.; Prince Bathyan's Delay, 98 lbs.; Sir G. Chetwynd's Kidbrooke, 95 lbs.; Mr. T. V. Morgan's Lord Gowran, 124 lbs.; and Mr. S. Crawford's Maitland, 82 lbs. Custance had the mount on Preakness, and for three-quarters of a mile the latter made an excellent effort, but then, as his jockey expressed it, "his want of condition made itself felt," and he dropped away from the leaders, when Maitland went to the front and landed the winner. Berryfield was second, Delay third, Preakness fourth, Lord Gowran fifth and Kidbrooke sixth. Custance did not force Preakness when he discovered that he was tiring, and galloped home at a pace that did not prove distressing. Just previous to the race Prince Bathyan's Delay was the favorite, the odds being 2 to 1 against him, while there was offered and taken 3 to 1 against Berryfield, and 10 to 1 against Preakness.

NEWMARKET, April 21.—The Newmarket International Free Handicap, of 30 sovs. each, half forfeit, with 300 sovs. added by the town of Newmarket, and 100 sovs. by the Jockey Club to the second horse if eight horses start, winners extra; closed with 22 subscribers. A. F.—One mile, two furlongs and seventy-three yards.

Sir G. Chetwynd's gr c The Grey Palmer, 4 yrs, by The Palmer, out of Eller, 102 lbs, 1
Sir J. D. Astley's b f Bridget, 3 yrs, by Hermit, out of Bertha, 77 lbs, 2
Mr. Meadows' br f Merry Duchess, 3 yrs, by The Duke, out of Mirella, 83 lbs, 3

Mr. Gomm's b c Advance, 3 yrs, by Speculum, out of Progress, 94 lbs, 4
Just previous to the start the betting was as follows: 2 to 1 against Advance, 4 to 1 against Merry Duchess, 6 to 1 against The Grey Palmer and 7 to 1 against Bridget. Nine started.

EPSOM SPRING MEETING.

EPSOM, April 25, 1876.—The City and Suburban Handicap of 15 sovs. each, 10 ft, and 5 only if declared by noon of Feb. 5th, with 200 sovs. added. The second to receive 50 sovs., 124 subs.; 1 mile 2 furlongs.

Mr. Vyner's b h Thunder, by Thunderbolt—Violante, 6 yrs, 130 lbs, 1
Little Hall, 3 yrs, 77 lbs, 2
Merry Duchess, 3 yrs, 80 lbs, 3

Mr. Sanford's Mate, aged, 115 lbs, finished the last lot; Bay Final was scratched, and reserved for the Metropolitan handicap.

Never before has any horse been able to carry 130 lbs home first in this race. Argonaut in 1866 when six years old won with 123 lbs up.

Turf Notes.

SALE OF KATIE PEASE.—This famous mare was sold at San Francisco on April 19, by auction, and Judge Mee was the purchaser at \$3,850.

MANDRAGONA.—This well-known English brood mare, dam of Mandrake, Apology, etc., recently dropped a filly, full sister to Apology, by Adventurer.

LIZZIE PRICE.—This filly, now three years old, by imp. Pheton out of Sally Travers, by Breckenridge, has been sold to G. A. Staples, of New Orleans.

A THOROUGHBRED STALLION FOR ILLINOIS.—Some gentlemen at Lincoln, Ill., have purchased Mammon, by Lexington, out of Mammona, by imp. Sovereign.

SALE OF A CLYDESDALE.—Mr. T. G. Duncan, of Bloomington, has sold the three-year-old Clydesdale colt, Wonder, to Mr. F. G. Patt, of Paxton, Ill., for \$2,000.

KITTIE FIELDS.—Mr. Stephen Bull, of Racine, Wis., has purchased this trotting mare. The price is said to have been \$10,000, after showing a trial of 2:24½.

MENDOTA, ILL.—Col. D. J. Davis, of Rochelle, has the past week shipped to Mendota, Ill., five well-bred horses, including the two stallions Sultan and Dapper.

OMAHA JOCKEY CLUB.—The Omaha Jockey Club claims June 6th 7th and 8th, 1876, for their first annual spring trotting meeting, when purses amounting to \$2,350 will be given.

CLIMAX.—Mr. S. J. Dickerman is standing Climax at Streator, Ill. Mr. D. recently purchased Climax from General Withers, he is sired by Almont, out of a Young Melbourne mare, and is now three years old.

BUFFALO DRIVING PARK.—It is expected that the Buffalo Driving Park will be opened next week, when trainers and drivers will have the privilege of the track for the purpose of exercising their charges.

RACING AT TORONTO.—The Toronto Woodbine Riding and Driving Park Association intend inaugurating the season on May 24th, 25th, 26th and 27th, when a number of racing and trotting purses will be hung up.

SALE OF TROTTING STOCK.—Mr. Dan Shawhan has sold to a gentleman of Des Moines, Ia., his Abdallah mare and her chestnut yearling filly by Blue Bull, for \$2,000. This mare is the dam of Mr. Shawhan's fast young trotting stallion and the five-year-old filly (Elsie Good) sold a short time since to James Wilson for \$5,000, both sired by Blue Bull.

DETROIT, MICH.—Great preparations are being made for the Spring meeting to be held here in May, and the committee are now soliciting subscriptions to enable them to give good purses. It is their intention to outstrip all their other meetings.

DEATH OF A BROOD MARE.—Jennie P., a chestnut mare foaled 1863, by Star Davis out of Rake, by imp. Trustee, was so severely injured in giving birth to a filly by Tom Bowling, that she was shot to put her out of misery. She was owned by Mr. John M. Clay.

SALE OF GEN. HARNEY.—Mr. J. Davis has sold to Wm. Lakeland, the jockey, the chestnut colt, Gen. Harney, 4 years old, by Pat Mulloy, out of Yellow Bird, by imp. Yorkshire; 2d dam Nannie Craddock, by Zenith; 3d dam Cherry Elliot, by Sumpter, etc.

GEORGE EVANS.—This popular jockey, whose connection with Mr. Belmont's maroon and cherry jacket for the last three years rendered him well known on the principal race-tracks of the East, has accepted an engagement to ride for the Duke de Coimbra, in Portugal.

A VOLUNTEER STALLION FOR TENNESSEE.—Major G. T. Allman has purchased from Mr. Julland, of Bainbridge, N. Y., the trotting stallion High Private, late Rob Roy, by Volunteer out of Lady Nester, by Dunkin Mambrino. He is now nine years old; is a rich bay with black points, and stands 16 hands high. The price is said to have been \$5,000.

LINCOLN TROTTING ASSOCIATION.—This Association, situate at Lincoln, Nebraska, is out with its programme for the meeting which takes place on May 30, 31 and June 1. \$500 is given for running horses, and \$1,500 for trotters. The officers are, E. H. Tuttle, President; C. Esign, Vice President; J. K. Honeywell, Secretary and M. M. Cobb, Treasurer.

HORSE SALES.—Mr. R. Penistan has sold a stallion by Mambrunello out of a thoroughbred mare, by Selim, he by imp. Marlon, to G. T. Rice, of Vermont; also the thoroughbred trotting mare Mamie Bradley, by Lexington, Jr., first dam by Star Davis, second dam by Grey Eagle, third dam by imp. Bertrand. She is now six years old, and can trot in 2:50. Mr. John F. Betz, of Philadelphia, is the purchaser.

DEATH OF THE DAM OF CRITTENDEN.—Flora, the dam of Crittenden, died last Thursday afternoon, at the Arsenal grounds, of inflammation of the bowels. She was not known to be ill until found lying in the lot helpless, when Dr. Pritchard was summoned, but too late to save her. She was supposed to be in foal to Cassius M. Clay, Jr., but a post mortem examination proved her to be barren. Maj. Todd purchased her last Fall at Col. Strader's sale for \$1,200.

MENDOTA DRIVING PARK.—At a meeting of the Directors of the Mendota Driving Park, held on the evening of the 22d, it was resolved that premiums to the amount of \$1,000 be offered for the 4th of July races, divided into the following purses: \$100 for green horses that never trotted for money; \$150 for papers, free to all; \$300 for 3:00 class, and \$450 for 2:30 class. The Association is in a prosperous condition, and the Summer races are looked forward to with considerable interest, as everything will be done to make them a success.

BUTCHER BOY AND BAY BEAUTY.—The match race for a purse of \$500 in a five mile dash came off on the Hamtramck race course, Detroit, on the 19th inst., and was witnessed by quite a number of spectators. It appeared to be a foregone conclusion that the Boy would win, and but little excitement was manifested. Butcher Boy led by three lengths at the end of the first mile, and in the next two miles so increased his lead as to distance Bay Beauty, and her driver therefore wisely withdrew, and Butcher Boy completed his easy victory.

ETHAN ALLEN.—Mr. B. F. Akers on his return from California, wrote to Col. Coleman as follows, respecting Ethan Allen: "Ethan has been under the weather from starvation, his teeth suffered out of shape so much that he could not eat—but a short time getting to fix them so anything tasted good, his front upper corner teeth had got so long that they struck the gum behind the lower ones between them, and the bridle teeth cutting a hole on each side, and producing running sores, which his groom had never noticed."

A SINGULAR FREAK OF NATURE.—One of the most singular deviations from the course of nature comes to our knowledge, and one that elicits considerable interest to horsemen and breeders of animals. On the 20th of February last a five-year-old mare belonging to Mr. William Driesbach, of Sparta, foaled. The colt, although fully developed and otherwise promising, was dead. The mare appeared well, and to the surprise of Mr. Driesbach, on the 2d of April, six weeks after the foal of the first colt, the mare gave birth to another one, which is sound, healthy, and well developed, and in all respects as promising a colt as can be found in this section. Here is a problem for expounders of physiological law.—*Danville Express*.

THE AMERICAN HORSES IN ENGLAND.—The New York Herald telegraphic letter of April 22, contains the following information respecting Mr. Sanford's horses:

Mr. Sanford has decided on running Mate in the city and suburban. He carries a weight of 115 pounds. Mate is much fitter for this event than any of the others, but there is 6 to 1 in the betting against him.

Bay Final will probably take a chance for the Metropolitan Stakes on Wednesday.

Preakness galloped two miles yesterday with Mate and Bay Final. He went the same distance this morning.

Preakness is to be prepared to run for the Ascot cup.

BUDD DOBLE EN ROUTE FOR THE EAST.—Budd Doble arrived in Chicago last Saturday with his string of trotters and a few additional horses which had been put in his care for the journey, including Springbok and Grinstead. Budd was accompanied on the trip by Mr. Joe Daniels, and on their arrival here the horses were rested, and remained until Monday evening, when the journey to Philadelphia was resumed. The Californian venture did not prove a very great success, owing to the bad weather which prevailed so much the past Winter and put a stop to racing to any great extent. None of the horses had been affected by the railway journey to any extent, and they were all looking remarkably well. The string consists of Goldsmith Maid, Clementine, Abe Edgington, Ella Wright, Young Volunteer, Sam Purdy, Grinstead, Springbok and a fast road team.

DEATH OF AN ARABIAN MARE.—The Arabian mare, Enea, imported twenty years ago, by the late Wm. McDonald, of Baltimore, and purchased in 1864 by Mr. John W. Garrett, died at Montebello, Baltimore county, on the 22d, having been attacked with illness only the preceding afternoon. It is stated that her original cost to the importer was \$1,000. Prof. O. C. Marsh, of Yale College, arranged with Mr. Garrett some time ago, that the skeleton of Enea should be preserved and forwarded to the Peabody Museum, at New Haven, and measures to that end have been taken. Mr. Garrett still has four of the immediate descendants of Enea, viz.: Zoe, sired by Bonnie Scotland; Saladin, by Daniel the Prophet; Selim, by Virginian; and Damascus, a colt foaled in 1874, when the mother was twenty-five years old, and the sire, Hamlet, was but two years old. Mr. Garrett has also thirty-five of her descendants, and sired by Saladin and Selim; they are three-year-olds, two-year-olds, and yearlings, also seven colts foaled within the past two weeks. Many of these colts, from high-bred mares, retain in a remarkable degree the

Arabian characteristics. A number of Kene's colts are in the Western States. She was twenty-six years old at the time of her death.

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THE DAM OF MOLEY.—This famous old mare is now on a visit to Enfield, at the stables of Mr. R. M. Anderson. She is a dark chestnut, without white, standing about sixteen hands high, a big, ugly head, but very clean and bony, good, strong shoulders, a long, round and well-ribbed body, but rather light, and an unusually straight and strong-looking back, for a mare of her age. The most attractive part about her, however, is her powerful quarters. Here she is unexceptionally good, and although 24 years old this Spring, there is not a blemish about her, notwithstanding the fact that for twenty-one years in succession, the old mare helped to make a crop on the farm where she first saw the light. She is good for some years yet; to look at her as she feeds about in the lot, you would not take her to be a day over eight or ten years old.—*Rural Sun.*

JOCKEY CLUB AT WASHINGTON.—The National Jockey Club of the District of Columbia was organized on April 20, and the following officers elected: President, Richard Wallack; Vice-President, Governor Oden Bowie, of Maryland; Henry H. Dodge, of Georgetown; Colonel Thomas W. Doawell, and Marshall Brown, of that city; Secretary, I. K. Barritt; Treasurer, D. W. Middleton, Jr.; Executive Committee: J. W. Thompson, Colonel H. R. Rathbone, General E. F. Beale, H. M. Hutchinson, T. Roelle, General J. H. Watmough, Richard Smith, and John R. Baker. This association has made arrangements with F. P. Hill, proprietor of the new race track at Benning's Station, for a Spring meeting, which will take place on the 16th, 17th, and 18th of May. They also have been corresponding with a number of prominent turfmen throughout the country, and have promise of a good attendance of horses.

DEXTER PARK.—Col. Mansur has made up a most acceptable programme for his two July meetings at Dexter Park. The running, trotting, pacing, and trotting-under-saddle races being well intermingled, as will be seen by a perusal of the following synopsis:

FIRST MEETING.

First Day, Friday, June 30.—No. 1. Running, 1½-mile dash, all ages; purses of \$150 and \$50. No. 2. Trotting, 2:27 class; purses of \$25, \$30, \$300, \$125. No. 3. Running, stake race for three-year-olds, mile and repeat, entrance \$50, p. p. \$300 added, second horse to receive \$100, p. p.

Second Day, Saturday, July 1.—Running, dash of two miles, for all ages; purses of \$300 and \$100. No. 5. Pacing, free for all; purses of \$50, \$250, \$150, \$100. No. 6. Running, mile heats, 3 in 5, for all ages; \$350, \$150, \$100.

Third Day, Monday, July 3.—No. 7. Running, ½-mile dash, for two-year-olds, \$25 entrance, p. p. \$150 added, second horse to receive \$50. No. 8. Running, mile and repeat, for all ages; purses of \$250 and \$150. No. 9. Trotting, free to all under saddle, entries must have no record, either to harness or wagon, (time made under saddle is no bar in any other kind of race); purses of \$500, \$250, \$150, \$100. No. 10. Running, dash of 1½ miles, for all ages; purses of \$150 and \$50.

Fourth Day, Tuesday, July 4.—No. 11. Running, stake race for three-year-olds, dash of 1½ miles, \$50 entrance, p. p. \$300 added, second horse to receive \$100. No. 12. Running, 2 miles and repeat, for all ages; purses of \$450 and \$50. No. 13. Trotting, 2:21 class; purses of \$1,000, \$500, \$300, \$200. No. 14. Running, consolation purse for all horses that have run and not won during the meeting, mile and repeat, \$125 to first, \$25 to second. Horses that have been beaten once allowed 7 pounds, horses beaten twice 10 pounds, horses beaten three times 14 pounds.

SECOND MEETING.

First Day, Tuesday, July 18.—No. 1.—Trotting, 2:40 class; purses of \$25, \$300, \$200, \$125. No. 2.—Running, mile heats, 3 in 5, all ages; purses of \$350, \$150, \$100. No. 3.—2:30 class; purses of \$1,000, \$500, \$300, \$200.

Second Day, Wednesday, July 19.—No. 4.—Trotting, 3:00 class; purses of \$25, \$300, \$200, \$125. No. 5.—Running, mile and repeat, stake race for 5-year-olds, \$50 entrance, p. p. \$300 added, second horse to receive \$100. No. 6.—Trotting, 2:23 class; purses of \$1,000, \$500, \$300, \$200.

Third Day, Thursday, July 20.—No. 7.—Trotting, 2:35 class; purses of \$25, \$300, \$200, \$125. No. 8.—Running, 2-mile dash, all ages; purses of \$350, \$150. No. 9.—Trotting, 2:27 class; purses of \$750, \$350, \$250, \$150.

Fourth Day, Friday, July 21.—No. 10.—Trotting, 2:30 class; purses of \$25, \$300, \$200, \$125. No. 11.—Running, two miles and repeat; purses of \$450, \$150. No. 12.—Trotting, free for all; purses of \$1,250, \$600, \$400, \$250.

The stake races will close June 1st, but the time when other entries will close has not yet been announced. All the racing will be governed as to weights and other matters by the Lexington revised rules of 1876; the trotting by the rules of the National Turf Congress. Season tickets to the Park will be placed at the same figures as the former years—\$40, \$25 and \$20.

Stud News.

WALNUT HILL STUD FARM.—Brenda, by imp. Knight of St. George, a bay colt by Waverly, April 17th.

STOCKWOOD STUD FARM.—Locket, by Blacklock, a bay colt by Ploveroid, on April 15th, and will be bred to Tipperary.

FLEETWOOD FARM, FRANKFORT, KY.—Mr. J. W. Hunt Reynolds' Lella, by St. Elmo, a chestnut colt, by Belmont, foaled April 19th.

LEXINGTON.—Major B. G. Thomas' Aureola, by War Dance, a chestnut colt by Waverly, foaled April 16th. Has been named Aureolus.

BIG SPRING STOCK FARM.—Glencoe, by imp. Glencoe, a chestnut filly by Hunter's Lexington, on April 17th, which died soon after being foaled.

ARRIVED AT HUNTER'S LEXINGTON.—Carrie Coshy (Lady Clipper's dam), and Docility have arrived at Messrs. A. B. Lewis & Co.'s Big Spring Stock Farm, to be bred to Hunter's Lexington.

On April 14th, Mr. J. Carter Brown's mare Naptha, (dam of Golden Gate), dropped a chestnut filly by imp. Hampton Court, and will be bred to imp. King Ernest.

PREAKNESS STUD FARM.—Cordella, by Lexington, a bay colt by Glencoe on April 16th, imp. Elvir by King John, a bay or brown filly by Baywood, April 17th. La Henderson, by Lexington, a bay filly by imp. Glencoe, April 17th.

FANNIE LEE.—On the 6th inst., Fannie Lee, by Richmond, (thoroughbred), dam Old Mollie, (the dam of Molesey), dropped a large chestnut filly to Mambrino Forest. The mare and foal belong to Mr. Jordan D. Martin, of Sumner county, Tenn.

WOODLAWN STUD FARM.—The following foals are reported since March 21st: Edina, by imp. Knight of St. George, a chestnut filly by Lexington. Mare and foal both dead. On April 4th, Alabama, by Brown Dick, a chestnut filly by imp. Australian. Same day, Emili by Asteroid, a chestnut filly by imp. Australian. April 5th, Volga, by imp. Glencoe, a chestnut colt by Lexington. April 7th, imp. Inverness, by Macaroni, a bay colt by Lexington. April 8th, Lulu Horton, by imp. Albion, a bay or brown colt by Lexington. April 10th, Miss Carter, by imp. Sovereign, a chestnut colt by Lexington. Same day, Helress, by imp. Scythian, a bay colt by Planet. April 13th, Little Miss by imp. Sovereign, a bay colt by Planet. April 14th, Idlewild, by Lexington, a bay colt by Planet.

STONY FORD STUD FARM.—Up to April 17th, the following foals had been dropped at Stony Ford since our last report: Black colt, little white on off hind heel, April 6th, got by Messenger Duroc out of Flora Gardiner, by Seely's American Star, grandam by Bay Richmond, great-grandam by Diamond. Bay colt, few white hairs in forehead, snip on nose, white legs, April 10th, got by Messenger Duroc out of Glencoe, by Woodward Star, grandam of Green Mountain Maid. Bay colt, blaze in face, white hind ankles, April 14th, got by Messenger Duroc out of Lady Dexter, by Ryedek's Hambletonian, grandam Dexter's dam,

by Seely's American Star. Bay colt, white off hind heel, April 16th, got by Bolton out of Lady Bryant, by Brignoli, son of Mambrino Chief, grandam by Cracker, son of Boston.

TENNESSEE STUD NEWS.—The *Rural Sun* of April 13, reports the following foals: On the 4th inst., in Sumner county, at Mr. J. M. Tomkins' breeding farm, Ellen Odum, by Hiawatha, a bay filly by Gen. Geo. H. Thomas. At Woodlawn Farm, in Maury county, (property of Capt. Thomas Gibson), on the 4th inst., bay mare Puss, by Denmark, foaled to John Dillard, bay colt with star. On the 5th inst., same place, Lizzie Craig, dropped ch colt, with three white feet and star, to Star Chief. Same place, on the 8th inst., Lady Abdallah, bay colt by Star Chief. On the 31st ult., Mr. Geo. T. Allman's Minnie Patchen, by George M. Patchen, dropped a large filly, foal to Henry Mambrino. On the 7th inst., Mr. A. W. Harris' mare, Countess, by Viscount, (a son of Alexander's Abdallah), dropped a pair of twins, a colt and a filly to Alcalde, both of them good size, well-formed, and at last accounts doing finely.

Rowing.

The English University Race.

The following report of the Oxford and Cambridge boat race which took place on April 8th, is abridged from the *London Sportsman*, of April 10th:

As the time grew on all eyes were turned towards the London Boat-house, from which at an earlier period both crews had emerged for a preliminary paddle. The men had, however, returned for a final rest and preparation, and it was exactly thirty-nine minutes past one when the Cambridge boat finally took the water. It may not be out of place at this juncture to give some particulars of the two boats. The winning craft was built by Swaddle and Winship, of Scotswood, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Her length is 57 ft. 6 in. over all, width in widest part amidships 23 in., height forward 7 in., and aft one inch less. She is built of cedar, and fitted with sliding seats on brass plates. The oars were manufactured by Tozer, of Teddington. The dimensions of the Oxford boat are as follows:—Length 58 ft. 10 in. over all, width amidships 25 in., height forward 6½ in., height aft 6½ in. She is from the yard of Clasper, of Oxford, and is built of cedar. Her seats slide upon steel tubes. Messrs. Ayling, of Lambeth, manufactured the oars for the Oxford boat.

Precisely at forty-three minutes past one Cambridge emerged from the bank close to the London Boat-house. The Cantabs wore their light-blue coats and straw hats, and as they paddled into mid-stream and crossed to the Middlesex shore were received with much hand-clapping and shouts of welcome from the assembled crowd. The Oxford crew were not long after their rivals in taking the water. They appeared without their coats, displaying their snow-white jerseys, bound at the neck and at the short sleeves, cut off across the biceps, with dark-blue riband of about an inch in width. They also paddled across the river and down the Middlesex shore, turning in rear of the Press and Empire boats, and of the Thames Conservancy barge, and took up their position for the start. The starting post was nearer to the Aqueduct this year than last; about 15 seconds rowed at most from that structure, we should say. Cambridge sent their coats on board the umpire's boat as soon as Oxford came to their station. Mr. J. Chitty, Q. C., was umpire, and with little delay Mr. Searle dismissed the boats. The start was better than we usually see, there being no scrambling on either side. From the foreshortening of the view from the steamers and the pace at which the racing eight oars got under way compared to the steamers, it would be hard to say which first showed in front, but the race was pretty level up to the first reach, Cambridge rowing 37 and Oxford 38 a minute. Just below the Point Cambridge seemed to lead a third of a length, and on reaching the Grass Wharf, Oxford, who had quickened a trifle, seemed to have come nearly, if not quite, on even terms again. Through the "shoot" Cambridge began to draw steadily in front, and at the Crab Tree were nearly their own length to the good. The only piece of erratic steering on the part of Oxford took place here, and they wandered a little to right and left as they passed the Soap Works, while Cambridge quickened and shot the bridge about two-thirds of a length clear of them, in 7 min. 33 sec., Oxford 5 sec. behind them. Round the ensuing bend the station was all in favor of Cambridge, and they drew still more away, rowing very well together, while Oxford were getting rather wild at times. Chiswick Church, a wide landmark, and difficult to time accurately, was reached a trifle over twelve minutes, Cambridge being about four lengths ahead at this time. Up Horse Reach there did not seem to be much change in the positions of the boats, and Barnes bridge was reached by Cambridge in 16 min. 50 sec., good time all things considered, Oxford 11 sec. or 12 sec. behind them. Oxford quickened off the White Hart, and seemed to improve their position for half a minute, but Cambridge were quite capable of holding their own, and quickened also at the Brewery, and drew away from that point, passing the post in 20 min. 20½ sec. as we made it, and 20 min. 19 sec. by Benson's chronograph. The distance by which the race was won was variously estimated, and can only be estimated, and not absolutely defined by time or distance, for Oxford stopped rowing at the same instant that Cambridge did. Some set it down as eight lengths, some as four. When boats are moving it is difficult to judge the gap between them, unless a view in profile can be taken; but looking at the boats as they lay at "easy" immediately they had stopped, we should say that, in round numbers, sixty or seventy yards at most separated them. The distance was certainly nothing like so long as that of a hundred yards course, to which the eye is pretty well accustomed; still less were there 150 yards (which would be short of eight lengths), or even half that distance. A boat's length is nineteen yards, in round numbers. It is a pity that Oxford did not row on to the end, and so give a distinct time for record by which the race was won; but we think that most people who are accustomed to judge such distances as 100 yards in athletics or the twenty-two in cricket, will not much disagree with our estimate.

BAGNALL AND LUMSDEN FOR £100.—On April 11th an open boat match for £50 a side between Robert Bagnall, of the Ouseburn, and Wm. Lumsden, of Blyth, was decided on the Tyne, from the High Level-bridge to the Redheugh bridge, a distance of half a mile, and resulted in the victory of Lumsden. There was a lot of fiddling at the start but at the sixth attempt they commenced on level terms. Bagnall was the cooler at the beginning, and in the first three strokes dashed about a third of a length in front, but Lumsden at once settled down to a tremendous burst of speed, and shooting up level, the pair spurred in grand style up to the Mansion House. Lumsden then was a little awkward, and Bagnall for a moment again got the nose of his boat in front, but it was only for a moment, as the Blythe sculler again closed on him, and they raced together to Davidson's Mill. Then, however, Lumsden came with his finest effort, and working up to forty-four strokes a minute, in a second shot past his opponent and took half a length lead, amidst the cheers of his supporters. Steering much the better course he rapidly improved his advantage, and passed the Skinner Burn a length in front. Bagnall then looked round to see where he had his man, but before he could remedy the state of affairs he began to hang out signals of distress, and Lumsden, keeping a beautiful course, drew further ahead, and half-way up the Grindstone Quay led by a couple of lengths. The Blyth man then began also to feel the effects of his exertions, and Bagnall gained upon him until within a couple of hundred yards of the finish; but Lumsden rowed with unflinching gameness to the end, and won by a length and six feet, amidst quite a demonstration; time, 4 min. Both men were much distressed after finishing, but of the two Lumsden had decidedly more go in him at the end of the journey than Bagnall had.

The same evening the men met at Taylor's house and put £5 to bind a match for a £100 over the long course within three weeks.

Boating at Peoria, Ill.

PEORIA, Ill., April 17th, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—The members of the Peoria boat club are already at work on the river, of course we have not got ourselves into complete training order yet, but we are climbing to it moderately and with what little practice we can pick up between wind storms and rain, can see that the boys are starting in with the intention of being heard from sometime during the season, in tests of speed with some of our neighboring cities. We have received two as pretty four-oared cedar shells as you ever laid eyes on, built by Maxwell, of Pittsburgh, and we have his word that they are as fine as anything that has been "set up" for any of the Eastern clubs. We only hope we may be able, before many months have gone by, to tell you that we have two crews, that do not in the least detract from the fine appearance of the boats, themselves. They are certainly perfect beauties and we intend to do our "level best" so that to the experienced eye we may, at least, merit the remark, "that they are not such a bad batch of fellows after all." When we have anything of interest to communicate to you, I will do so, and in the meantime wish the *FIELD* double the success it is entitled to. W.

BALTIMORE, MD.—PATAPSCO NAVY MATCH.—The Undine Club on the 11th of April sent a challenge to the Ariel and L'Hirondelle Clubs, all of the Patapsco Navy, Baltimore, to row a race in June next, in four-oared shells, under the rules and regulations of the National Amateur Rowing Association. At a meeting held the evening previous, F. J. Brown presiding, a committee was authorized to purchase a new four-oared shell for the proposed race. An invitation from the Schuykill Navy to the Undine Club to participate in the International Regatta, to take place during the Centennial Exhibition, was favorably regarded, but not definitely accepted until the subscription for necessary expenditures is completed. The model and drawings of a floating boat-house, intended to be built, was shown to the meeting. It will be a three-decker—one for boats, another for dressing-rooms, and the upper deck for reception, dancing and other purposes. The Undine has now fifty-nine active members. Yours, F. L. H.

EXCELSIOR BOAT CLUB.—This Detroit club held its annual meeting at the Russell House on the evening of April 4. An excellent financial exhibit was presented by the treasurer, showing a balance of \$250 in favor of the club after paying all indebtedness, besides having property valued at \$6,678 60 belonging to the club. The captain also presented a report of the doings of the club both at home and at other regattas. An election of officers for 1876 resulted as follows: President, Frank W. Eddy; Vice-President, C. D. Waterman; Secretary and Treasurer, W. C. Stoepe; Captain, W. B. Isbell; Cammander, J. B. Molony; Lieutenant-Commander, Hugh W. Dyer; Ensign, C. A. Dean; Board of Managers, R. Telfer, W. R. Hawk, F. E. Farnsworth, James Johnson; Member of Executive Committee of N. W. A. B. Association, W. L. Baker; Detroit River Navy Delegate, W. C. Waterman.

ZEPHYR BOAT CLUB, OF DETROIT.—The first annual meeting of the Zephyr Boat Club since its re-organization was held at the Russell House on the evening of April 4th, when gratifying reports were made by the president, secretary and captain, after which officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Michael Firman; Vice-President, John H. Harrington; Secretary, Geo. H. Leaser; Treasurer, C. H. Dings; Captain, A. I. McLeod; Commander, David Linn; Lieutenant-Commander, Frank S. Bagg; Ensign, W. H. Dodds.

ORIENTAL BOAT CLUB, DETROIT.—At the annual meeting of this club the following officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, J. C. Ferguson, M.D.; Vice-President, C. H. Brown; Secretary and Treasurer, T. L. O. Lambert; Captain, Joseph H. Dickenson; Commander, Robert White; Lieutenant-Commander, A. Cooley; Ensign, J. S. Dalton; Board of Managers, Henry Thompson, J. M. Shufford, John Reed.

BAYONNE BOAT CLUB.—At the annual election of officers of the "Bayonne Rowing Association," of Bayonne, N. Y., for 1876, the following gentlemen were unanimously elected: President, G. S. Boise; Vice-President, E. G. Burges; Treasurer, Geo. R. VanKipper; Recording Secretary, W. M. Beach; Corresponding Secretary, Geo. S. Stitt; Captain, J. W. Elsworth; Lieutenant, E. E. Shaw.

JOHN PEDGRIFT.—We had a call last Monday, from John Pedgrift, who used to be one of the celebrated "Pride of the Thames" crew, with the Hammertons and Joe Sadler. John looks as hearty and rugged as ever, and his old waterside friends at Surbiton and elsewhere will be also glad to know that he is doing well.

THE YALE AND HARVARD BOAT RACE.—The Yale and Harvard representatives met at Springfield, Mass., on April 17th, and chose Professor A. M. Wheeler, of Yale, referee in their eight-oared race, which is to take place there on July 30th. A course beginning near the upper end of the city will probably be chosen.

THE ENGLISH CHAMPIONSHIP.—E. Trickett, from Australia, challenged J. H. Sadler, of England, for the Championship of the World, and £300 a side, within four months, and Sadler at once put up £25 to make a match. The contracting parties were to meet April 13th to sign articles.

Athletics.

Heygster vs. Christol.

The Greco-Roman wrestling match between Andre Christol and Heygster took place at the New Chicago Theatre on Tuesday, April 25th. At 27 minutes to nine, both men appeared. The contrast between them was striking, Christol weighing 146 pounds to Heygster's 236, but in height there was not much difference, as the German stands about 5 ft. 7 inches. Heygster is called the "Oak of the Rhine," and this cognomen brought to mind that great contest of olden days when Milo, failing to find any other antagonist, grappled a stalwart oak. In the first burst of his fervid power he rent the mighty trunk, but flagging, was clasped between the riven portions and perished. Thus it fared with the Christol. He attacked his mighty antagonist with skill and perseverance, trying several of his favorite attacks only to be foiled by the girth of his opponent around whose waist he would but just lock his finger tips. Thus foiled, he tried trick after trick in rapid succession, on one occasion fairly heaving his man over his back, only to fall himself by the momentum acquired in the heave. Escaping from this danger by wondrous agility, he again threw the "Oak" by a sort of combined head-lock and cross-buttock, on to his side. Heygster turned on to his stomach, and Christol getting a head-lock, turned him over clean on to his back. Time, 11:00. After a rest of 15 minutes, they came together for a second round. It was much as the first, Christol always attacking; occasionally Heygster acted on the offense, and threw Christol on to his back, but he, by bridging, and the most marvellous display of wriggling, invariably escaped the danger. At last Christol tried the head and cross-buttock trick of the previous round, but slipping his hold on account of the moist condition of his opponent's skin, Heygster grappled him round the waist, and dropped him upon his back, the huge Teuton at the same time dropping forward on to his knees, and smothering out further resistance from his writhing antagonist. After 20 minutes rest, they closed again at 9:30. The same tricks were adopted as in the last round, but Christol was evidently tiring under his efforts to lift bodily his huge foe, who "sagged" his whole weight down whenever an attempt was made to hoist him. In this round the same agility was shown by Christol in escaping from imminent peril. Sometimes he wriggled right through the German's grasp and got the upper hand, but failed to turn him over. After one of these attempts, Heygster head-locked him, and throwing him over fell backwards on him, literally crushing him flat by the power of his weight. Time, 15 minutes. The German is no mean antagonist, but in skill is not equal to Christol. His weight, however, was too much for Christol to contend against. Most likely Bauer and Heygster will give an exhibition in this city before leaving, and will be well worth seeing, as Bauer is in our opinion the most scientific master of the lot.

THE LIGHT-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH for a stake of \$500 a side, took place on April 23d, at the Central Park Garden, New York. The popular Greco-Roman was the style, and best three in five, the quota of falls. F. W. Austin is 5 feet 7 inches high, and weighs 148 pounds; Harry Howard stands 5 feet 8 inches high, and weighs 146 pounds. Howard won the first fall with a back grip, and the second fall, after a tussle on the floor; Austin won the third fall by getting the waist lock and lifting Howard over his shoulder. Howard won the fourth fall and match after a desperate struggle.

THE INTERNATIONAL FOOT BALL MATCH between Canada and the Harvard University, is fixed to take place at Cambridge, near Boston, on Monday, May 8th. In connection with the above, two trial matches were arranged between teams selected from under the title of East and West Ontario. The first game was played at Toronto, on the 23d inst., resulting in a decisive defeat for the Eastern team. The return match will be played at Hamilton, on the 29th inst. These games, along with the International Match, will be governed by the Rugby Union Rules.

A NEW GYMNASIUM.—Mr. King Olmsted, one of the old time gymnasts, and still as good as the youngsters, will open his new gymnasium on the corner of Halsted and Washington Streets, next Monday evening. A number of gymnasts, pedestallians, etc., have volunteered to give King a send-off, and he hopes to see all his friends on that occasion. We trust he will meet with the support he deserves in his new departure, as he is a good gymnast and a first-class teacher.

CHICAGO FOOTBALL CLUB.—A 440 yard race for a medal given by the President, Mr. W. B. Curtis, will take place at Dexter Park this (Saturday) afternoon at 5 o'clock sharp. Some other races will take place.

THE TOURNAMENT.—Owen Thomas McDermott, of Boston, says he is "able to walk for a man's life," and proposes to enter for the long-distance walking matches at Chicago, next month.

It is the intention of the London (Can.) Lacrosse Club to send a team to the Centennial Exhibition this summer, where a match with an Indian twelve will be arranged.

Centennial Bench Show of Dogs.

DETROIT, MICH.

Influence During Gestation.

BY ARNOLD BURGESS.

It may be said that such cases are exceptional, and that the majority of whelps are not thus marked. This is fortunately true, but we would ask is it not possible, though such great variation is seldom seen, that the failure of many whelps to equal their parents in quality is due to some bad influence strong enough to destroy the character, though not impress itself visibly upon the external form? We leave the matter for the consideration of our readers, simply reminding them that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

BY W. HUNTING, M. R. C. V. S., DELIVERED AT THE DOG INSTITUTE,
LONDON, ENGLAND.

PART VI.

Nature.—Distemper is essentially a specific canine fever depending upon a poison in the blood, and characterized by local catarrhal symp-

Distemper is frequently spoken of as a protean disease, appearing in many different forms and characterized by great diversity of symptoms. This is not strictly correct; there is always a well-defined train of symptoms, and these are only altered or added to by internal peculiarities of the animal, or more frequently by purely external causes. As in all other febrile affections, so in distemper may improper treatment or inherent weakness of some special organ give rise to further complications. Exposure to cold may inflame a lung, indigestible food may produce diarrhea. The irritation of intestinal worms or the natural changes of teething may cause fits, and all debilitating influences certainly increase the severity of the attack. These, however, are not symptoms of distemper; when they accompany it they do not constitute a different form or variety of the disease, but are simply accidental aggravations. There is, of course, an extra liability to them, and we ought to anticipate their possible appearance, but we must not accept them as essential parts. Distemper is always a definite catarrhal fever.

BY C. B. WHITFORD.—PUPPIES.

At the sight of a rain of cars he goes nearly crazy, and everything is so strange to him that he is wholly unfit for breaking. Nothing should be done in the way of breaking such a dog till his confidence is brought up to a proper pitch, and he is used to all these strange sights. If a pup has been carefully handled up to six months of age, has plenty of confidence and is a little timid, you have a rare animal on which to practice. A dog is generally admired for his courage, when in fact courage is not the requisite accomplishment: self-reliance it is that makes him valuable. This may be considered the same thing as courage, yet there is a difference. Though self-reliance may emanate from courage, and a high-courage dog will have more of it naturally than a timid one, yet a dog may have plenty of courage and no confidence, while a timid dog may be brim-full of confidence, which is all you want to establish in your timid dog, to make him the finer performer.

TURK.—The Rev. W. J. Mellor, has sold his champion mastiff Turk, to Mr. E. Brough, of Iuka.

DEER STALKER, Titusville.—Can setters and pointers be taught to hunt deer so as to be useful in stalking? Ans.—Yes. We know of gentlemen living in sections where deer are abundant whose dogs will follow a trail and point if they come upon a deer lying down. It is all a matter of training.

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Game and Shooting.

Sportsmen's Association Fixtures for 1876.

New York State Association for the Protection of Fish and Game—Geneseo, May.
 Massachusetts State Sportsmen's Association—Springfield, April 26.
 Michigan State Sportsmen's Association for the Protection of Game and Fish—Jackson, May 9.
 Kentucky State Sportsmen's Association—Lexington, May 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th.
 Connecticut State Association for the Protection of Fish and Game—Hartford, May 17th.
 Ohio State Association for the Protection of Fish and Game—Cincinnati, June 21st.
 Wisconsin State Sportsmen's Association—Madison, July 12.
 Maryland Association for the Protection and Preservation of Fish and Game—Baltimore, Sept. 19th.
 Illinois State Sportsmen's Association—Chicago, _____.
 Tennessee State Sportsmen's Association—Memphis, Nov. 13th.
 National Sportsmen's Association—Chicago, Aug. 29th.
 Missouri State Sportsmen's Association—Sedalia, Nov. 15th.

The American Shooter Fifty Years Ago:

COMPRISING A SERIES OF ARTICLES OF ALL THAT RELATES TO THE DOG AND THE GUN; ALSO A DESCRIPTION OF THE GAME OF THIS COUNTRY IN 1827, BY A GENTLEMAN OF PHILADELPHIA COUNTY, COMPILED FOR THE "CHICAGO FIELD," BY "MOHICAN."

PAPER V.

SHOOTING.

But the unfrequency of an accident from any particular cause should not make the shooter less careful to guard against its occurrence, because, "what has once happened may again occur."

I may here repeat the trite, but highly important cautionary observation, that in the best of hands guns are dangerous articles, and should be handled with the greatest circumspection and care. It is not prudent for more than two to shoot in company, and when the party is larger, the better plan is to divide, and to shoot by couples in different directions. When two are shooting in company, it should always be understood that a bird rising and flying to the right is to be shot by the right hand shooter, and by the left hand man when the bird flies in that direction. This practice will prevent the occurrence of *drawn* shots, or any unpleasant feelings between the parties. What is to be said on the subject of the fowling-piece itself, powder, shot, wadding, etc., will be given under their respective titles.

On arriving at the field the shooter should be the first to enter—his dogs following, and on no account should he permit them to go out of one field into another until he is prepared to follow. If he find them disposed to *break* fence, he should call out *ware* (pronounced *war*) *fence*, and not allow them to leave the field until he comes up. He should not, if circumstances will permit, go straight through a field unless he expects to find no game in it, but he should walk in a zigzag direction, at the same time giving his dogs the *wind* as much as possible; that is, hunting them against and across the wind. Birds very frequently, when running, go down the wind, and if the dog foots them, on his coming close upon them, they will generally flush; when, therefore, the shooter finds his dog to be trailing, unless he be an extremely cautious animal, he should call to him *hold up*, and hunt him to the windward of the direction in which the birds are supposed to be running. When the dog is close upon game, which will be easily discovered by his actions, the shooter should caution him to *take heel*, to prevent his flushing them, which frequently happens with careless dogs. When there is reason to believe that there may be game in the field or cover, the shooter should not be satisfied with traversing but once, let his dogs be ever so good;—on some days the cent will not lay, and on others the birds will lie so close as not to be easily found by the dog.

Johnson in his very excellent treatise says: "Suppose the young shooter in the field with two dogs; he perceives one drawing on the scent and setting to a point—let him call out to *hold* holding up his hand at the same time; the word will induce greater care in the first dog, and if the other should not be aware of the game, he will immediately look about him, and seeing his master's hand, will keep his position (no matter what his situation may be, either before or behind the shooter), or to speak as sportsmen, will *back*. I will suppose both the dogs perfectly steady; let the sportsman advance deliberately up to the setting dog, and if the game should not spring, let him go before the dog; if the birds should run instead of taking the wing, he will be aware of the circumstance by the dog following; but should the dog follow or foot too eagerly, he should be checked by the words, *take heel*! These are anxious moments, but the sportsman must, nevertheless, summon all his fortitude, and continue as calm as possible, with his thumb on the cock; when the game springs, pull up the cock, select an individual object; if the bird fly straight forward, it is a very easy shot. Let the sportsman direct his eye down the barrel, and the instant he perceives the bird on a line with the muzzle, pull the trigger; in levelling, however, the aim should be directed rather above than below the object; for the shot, if correctly thrown, will form its center from the center of the muzzle of the fowling-piece; nevertheless, in this respect, allowance must be made for the trim of the gun, or for the manner in which it throws shot; with which I am supposing the sportsman perfectly well acquainted."

Many other remarks and directions might have been given, but I cannot conceive they would have any other tendency than to increase the size of this book, and to confuse the recollection of the reader. It will happen with some persons that although these instructions may be by them rigidly obeyed, nevertheless, they can never become good shots for this simple reason; that nature never intended they should be. It will also sometimes happen, that the best shots on particular occasions, may make bad shooting, without being able to account for the cause; when this occurs, I would recommend the shooter to stop shooting and to take his seat by the side of a bank, or at the foot of a tree, and then, by completely abstracting his mind from the object of pursuit, in a short time get the better of his evil genius. If he can find nothing better (as books are out of the question), let him be diverted by counting once or twice the number of pellets contained in his shot charger. This project I have tried under similar circumstances, and with uniform success.

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EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—I never saw finer duck and snipe shooting than on my farm now, and I have hunted a "heap" in my time. I built an artificial lake for duck and fish, but have not got it stocked yet with fish, but my duck shooting is elegant. Send me your paper.

Very truly yours, B. F. A.

Targeting Match.

NEWARK, N. J., April 17, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—In nearly all matters that come before the sporting world there is always two sides, and, as a sequence, the "chin music" *pro and con* gets to be very lively on some occasions. The matter I propose to lay before your readers is this:

Some "gun and dog" friends of ours have spent weeks in trying to settle "with talk" the following: Whether a first-class choke-bore gun would not shoot better than the same quality of gun without choke and loaded with the "Kay Shot Cartridge Concentrator?" To settle so momentous a question, deeds were required, not words. The result was, that a day was fixed—April 12th—on which a full and fair trial should be had to settle this vexed question.

The advocates of the choke-bore system procured through the eminent importing house of Mr. Squires, Cortlandt street, New York, a very elegant twelve-gauge Greener choke-bore gun with all modern improvements. The parties on the other side managed to get a very fine gun of Tolley's make, twelve-gauge, a plain cylinder and free from choke, but weighing one pound less than the Greener choke-bore—quite a concession in favor of the last-named gun. The guns being ready, cartridges were prepared by a disinterested party for the requirements of each gun. The Greener choke-bore shells were loaded with three and one-quarter drams of Dupont's No. 1 powder and one and one-quarter ounces of shot. The shells for the Tolley gun were loaded with three and one-quarter drams Dupont's No. 1 powder, with a "Kay Shot Cartridge Concentrator," containing one and one-sixteenth ounces of shot in each one.

Adjourning to an open field outside the city limits, the distance (forty yards) was measured off, stakes driven, target-frame set up, with plenty of thirty-inch targets to put on it. Everything being ready the shooting began.

It may be interesting for some of your readers to know the incidents that occurred during the shooting, as well as a detail of the shots, so it may be in order for your correspondent to say that the Greener choke-bore fouled rapidly, and did not shoot so well as some of its friends anticipated, and according to the voluntary remarks of the gentleman who handled it, he was obliged to hold the gun to the left of the bull's-eye some fifteen inches in order to make any kind of a target, and instead of alternating the shots equally between the right and left-hand barrels, he used the right-hand barrel in preference, after wiping it out, whilst the Tolley gun went right along, shooting from both barrels equally, doing its work in good shape and requiring no apologies.

In the first shot of the fourth series, the sixteenth shot, the gentleman shooting the Tolley gun became careless and made a very bad target, which cost his gun that score. This was done by neglecting to hold the gun directly on the bull's-eye.

Altogether the shooting was good, and as far as the parties here are concerned, decided the question as to choke-bore *vs.* Kay Shot Cartridge Concentrators very decidedly in favor of the latter. Below find statement in detail of every shot, with averages and penetration:

12 gauge, Greener choke bore gun, No. 9 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 338 pellets. 2d " 336 " 3d " 409 " 4th " 438 " 5th " 141 " Total...1709 " average....349	12 gauge Tolley gun, not choke bore, and loaded with "Kay Cartridge Concentrator," No. 9 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 393 pellets. 2d " 450 " 3d " 384 " 4th " 347 " 5th " 425 "
No. 7 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 301 pellets. 2d " 151 " 3d " 153 " 4th " 178 " 5th " 199 " Total...891 " average....178	Total...1999 " average....400 No. 7 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 237 pellets. 2d " 322 " 3d " 202 " 4th " 255 " 5th " 243 "
No. 6 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 128 pellets. 2d " 151 " 3d " 103 " 4th " 127 " 5th " 147 " Total...655 " average....131	Total...1169 " average....234 No. 6 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 146 pellets. 2d " 158 " 3d " 154 " 4th " 178 " 5th " 158 "
No. 4 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 79 pellets. 2d " 84 " 3d " 85 " 4th " 101 " 5th " 95 " Total...441 " average....88	Total...794 " average....160 No. 4 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 21 pellets. 2d " 80 " 3d " 93 " 4th " 59 " 5th " 107 "
No. 2 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 80 pellets. 2d " 65 " 3d " 39 " 4th " 76 " 5th " 74 " Total...324 " average....65	Total...360 " average....71 No. 2 shot, 1 1/2 oz. 1st shot, 73 pellets. 2d " 72 " 3d " 65 " 4th " 72 " 5th " 59 "
Total average score, 804. Average pellets each shot, 160 4-5. Penetration, 42.	Total...339 " average....68 Total average score, 933. Average pellets each shot, 186 3-5. Penetration, 44.

P. S.—The shooting was done under the supervision of Mr. Horace Smith, of the *Forest and Stream*. RIP RAP.

An Act for the Preservation of Game, Animals and Birds in the State of Mississippi.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi*, That it shall be unlawful in any place in this State to catch, kill or injure, or pursue with such intent, any wild buck, deer, doe or fawn, between the fifteenth day of May and the fifteenth day of September; and it shall be unlawful to catch, kill or injure, or pursue with such intent, any wild turkey, between the first day of May and the fifteenth day of September; and it shall be unlawful to catch, kill or injure, or pursue with such intent, any quail, sometimes called partridge, between the first day of April and the fifteenth day of September; and it shall be also unlawful to catch, kill or injure, or pursue with such intent, any turtle-dove, sometimes called mourning dove, or any starling, commonly known as field-lark, between the first day of April and the fifteenth day of September; and it shall be unlawful at any and all seasons to catch, kill or injure, or pursue with such intent, the mocking bird, cat bird, or thrush.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That no person shall destroy or rob the nests of any wild bird whatever, excepting crows, blackbirds, blue jays, hawks, owls, and other birds of prey.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That it shall be unlawful for any person to purchase, have in his possession, or expose for sale, any of the birds of game, mentioned in section one of this act, during the season when the catching, killing or injuring the same is prohibited.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That it shall be unlawful for any railroad company, express company, or other company, steamboat, or carrier, or private individual to have in possession or receive for transportation or carriage, or for any other purpose whatever, any of the birds or game mentioned in section one of this act, during the season when the catching, killing, or injuring the same is hereby prohibited.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That any person or persons violating the provisions of this act, by killing, selling or offering for sale, or having in possession any of the birds or game mentioned in this act, during the season hereby prohibited, or any fresh venison, during the season mentioned in section one, shall for each of the birds, and each head of game, and each piece of fresh venison so killed, sold or exposed for sale, or had in possession, on conviction thereof, forfeit and pay a fine of not less than three or more than ten dollars for each bird, and not less than ten or more than twenty dollars for each buck, deer, doe, or fawn or piece of fresh venison, and three dollars for each nest of eggs destroyed as aforesaid, together with costs of prosecution.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That any violation of the provisions of this act may be prosecuted before any justice of the peace, or any other officer or court having jurisdiction of misdemeanors, and the judgment of such court shall be enforced in like manner, as in other cases of misdemeanor.

SEC. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That upon collection of any judgment record for any violation of the provisions of this act, one-half of such fine or judgment shall go to the informer and the other half shall go to the common school fund.

SEC. 8. *Be it further enacted*, That it is hereby made the duty of all sheriffs, constables, market masters, members of boards of supervisors and police officers to arrest all persons violating, or in the act of violating any of the provisions of this act, and take them before a justice of the peace, or other officer having jurisdiction to hear and try complaints for the violation of the provisions of this act.

SEC. 9. *Be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons shall take, catch or kill, or attempt to take, catch or kill any of the birds or animals mentioned in this act upon the lands or premises of any owner, who has posted the same, forbidding such trespass, unless he or they shall first have obtained the consent of such owner or owners or other person or persons in charge of such land or premises, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and fined not less than ten or more than fifty dollars, to be recovered in the same manner, and appropriated as other fines under this act; provided, That this act shall not apply to anyone shooting birds on his place to prevent them from depredating upon his vineyard or garden.

SEC. 10. *Be it further enacted*, That this shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, March 31, 1876.

The New Game Law.

By the amended game law just passed, it is made unlawful to kill quail or prairie chickens until the 15th of November, 1877. Wild geese and rabbits are not protected. The time of killing ducks is extended from the 1st day of January to the 1st day of April, of each year. The notice system is extended to uninclosed lands, provided boundaries are defined by setting out posts or otherwise. All technicalities are stricken from the form of the notice. Following is the text of the new law in full:

AN ACT to amend an act entitled "An act to protect certain bird and game, and to protect land-owners and punish trespassing upon improved or enclosed land, and to repeal certain statutes therein," passed April 20, 1874.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio*, That sections two and five of the above mentioned act be so amended as to read as follows:

SEC. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person, at any time or in any place to catch, kill or injure, or to pursue with such intent, any quail or prairie chicken, until the 15th of November, 1877; and it shall be unlawful for any person, in any place, after the expiration of said time, to catch, kill or injure, or to pursue with such intent, any quail or Virginia partridge, between the first day of January and the first day of November, inclusive; or any wild turkey, between the 15th day of January and the 1st day of November, inclusive; or any ruffed grouse or pheasant, or blue winged teal, between the first day of January and the first day of September; or any mallard or wood duck, or other wild duck at any time between the 1st day of April and the 1st day of September; or at any time between the 1st day of January and the 4th day of July, to catch, kill or injure, or to pursue with such intent, any woodcock; and it shall be unlawful for any person, at any time, to catch by snare or trap any quail or Virginia partridge; and it shall be unlawful for any person, by the aid or use of any swivel or punt gun, or any other than a common shoulder gun, or by the aid of any push boat or sneak boat, used for carrying such gun, to catch, kill or wound, or destroy, or pursue after, with such intent, upon any of the waters, bays, rivers, marshes, mud-flats, or any cover to which wild fowl resort, within the State of Ohio, any wild goose, wild duck or brant.

SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful to shoot, kill, or pursue with such intent, on the lands of another, any of the birds or game protected by this act, after receiving notice to leave said land or premises, by the owner, his agent, or any person having charge thereof; provided, that unenclosed and unimproved lands shall not be entitled to the protection of this act, unless the boundaries of said lands shall be so defined by the setting of stakes or posts, or water courses or ditches, or marking of trees, as to make said lines or boundaries apparent and easily traced. The notice may be verbal or written; served on the party to be notified, or by putting up a board, inscribed with legible characters in English, thus, "No shooting or hunting will be allowed on these premises," which shall be set up in some conspicuous place on the premises, either of which shall be deemed sufficient notice: *Provided*, that nothing in this section shall apply to any person who has express permission from the owner, or person in lawful possession of land, to hunt or shoot thereon, until permission is withdrawn.

SEC. 2. That sections two and five of the above act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.

OHIO GAME LAWS.—The new game law of Ohio prohibits the killing of quail and pinnated grouse before the 15th of November, 1877, and after that period, between the 1st of November and the 1st of January in each year.

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CONTINENTAL HOTEL,
PHILADELPHIA, April 22, 1876.

It requires no psychologist to discover that Philadelphians have Centennial on the brain. Everyone you meet talks Centennial, thinks Centennial, and I believe dreams Centennial. Whether the dreams of many will be realized is a question which the end alone will demonstrate, as there are a great many citizens, as well as outsiders, who anticipate making their fortunes during the time the exhibition lasts. It is surprising to see the number who are, Micawber-like, waiting for something to turn up. They have no definite object in view, but, being out of employment, have drifted here with the hope of getting their share of what the Centennial wave may wash ashore. Then there are others who have come here with definite plans; many of them, however, the most visionary possible to conceive of, and such as only a Centenarian would listen to. With both these classes of individuals the lobbies of the hotels are full, eagerly waiting to button-hole every one who will listen to them. I had three schemes disclosed to me by as many individuals, out of either one of which I could have made my everlasting fortune; all that was needed to embark in either one was five hundred dollars; but alas! I had not that amount, nor did I know where to borrow it, and consequently I had to let three fortunes slip through my fingers. I felt with Shakespeare that there is a tide in the affairs of men, which if taken at the flood leads to fortune. I am convinced that these were my three tides, but I had to see them ebb and leave me stranded high and dry. I shall always feel how much I lost by not having five hundred; but if I lost millions by not having five hundred dollars, by being unwilling to invest a V—only a V—I lost the opportunity of learning how to get all the lemonades and soda water in summer and hot ginger slings in winter the remainder of my life. "Now, you sees dese rings," said my would-be benefactor; "vell, now vot you dinks, eh?" "No! I knows you don't dinks any dings of it. No man can dinks any dings of it. I mineself was de man vot invints dese rings. Dese rings will get you all dose drinks or seegars vot you drinks and smokes, joost so long as you lives widout costing you von cent. I have nevare in 5 year pay von cent for a drink or seegar; and mine friend for five dollars I tells you how you vins every times." Not being thirsty I let the opportunity slip, and with it another fortune, as had I thought of it I could have found lots of fellows, always thirsty, who would have paid one hundred dollars for the secret, which they could not have got from any other person but myself, as my inventive friend pledged me his word of honor no one but himself possessed the secret, and if he sold it to me he would not to anybody else. That the exhibition will be a grand success, I have no doubt, as everything is being done to make it so. Philadelphians are very proud of this being the cradle in which the republican infant, who first saw light one hundred years ago, was rocked, and are determined that the now giant of giants, shall be, on his Centennial birthday, crowned with all the glory and pomp befitting the occasion. It is impossible for any man, in whose heart pulsates the love for his country, not to become imbued with the patriotic ardor which so absorbs these people. The exhibition opens on the 10th of May. At present, everything is in that chaotic condition which precedes order; but all efforts are being directed to get things in their proper places on the day of opening, which will doubtless be done.

The West is expected to send her quota of visitors, and a large number of foreigners are expected. Many have already arrived, and are to be seen daily on Chestnut street.

I find the rumors about exorbitant prices during the exhibition are about as extravagant in fact as the charges were in rumor. The Continental, for instance, credited with having raised their prices to seven and eight dollars a day, have advanced only fifty cents a day, the regular charge of four dollars and fifty cents being increased to five dollars. Many will, without doubt, be glad to know that Mr. Sam. P. Skinner, formerly of the Palmer House, will be found in future at the Globe Hotel, which is a guarantee to all stopping at the Globe, of a hearty welcome and good care.

The live-stock exhibition, under the energetic management of Mr. Landreth, is progressing as well as could

possibly be expected. The display of horses will be the finest ever witnessed in this or any country. The cattle show will be also a fair one; and though last not least, the dog show, with the push of Dr. Twaddell and Mr. Chas. Westcott, if the entries increase as rapidly in the future as in the past, will eclipse our Chicago show as much as that did all previous ones. The entries number now over two hundred. It should be remembered that there is no charge for entering either horses, cattle or dogs. When this reaches the readers of the CHICAGO FIELD I will have been "on to Springfield" to attend the bench show there.

MOHAWK.

THE NASHVILLE RACE MEETING.

On Tuesday next the Spring Meeting of the Blood Horse Association of Nashville will begin at that city and continue without intermission until Saturday. The programme which will be found in full in its proper department, is well furnished with closed stakes and a good diversity of purses. On the first day the racing begins with the Young America Stake, a sweepstakes for two-year-olds which has fifteen entries at twenty-five dollars each, to which the Association adds two hundred dollars. This will be the initial race of the youngsters, and as Bonnie Scotland is the sire of eight he has a good chance of being credited for the first two-year-old event of the year. Two are by Foster, the four-mile California winner, King William, out of an Albion mare, and Annie C., out of Heliotrope. Glenelg is also represented by Glen Guile, a well-bred colt, being out of Capitola, by imp. Albion. The second race is the O'Connor Stake, named after Major O'Connor, who donates two hundred and fifty dollars to the winner. Among the entries are Grit, who won a three-quarters-of-a-mile race at Nashville last Fall, beating Clemmie G. and Melnotte. At Gallatin he won the Murphy Stake, one mile in 1:44, beating Phoebe H. and three others. Malmistic, winner of the Howard Stake at New Orleans, in which he beat Mediator (carrying seven pounds extra), Tecalco, Charlie Rowett and four others. Mediator, the winner of the Slocumb Stake at New Orleans last year, and at the recent meeting he showed himself to be in running order by winning the Pickwick Stake. An Association Purse for mile heats closes the first day's programme. On the second day the first race is the Nashville Cup for all ages, for which ten have rendered themselves liable for the fifty dollars entrance. Ozark is the best public performer of the lot, and we understand has been specially prepared for the race. Two purses, one of a mile, and the other a mile-and-a-quarter, fill out the bill. The Cumberland Stake opens the racing on Wednesday, and as the entries closed in 1874, there is quite a number engaged that will not start. The most prominent are Mediator, Creedmoor, Glasgow, Galanthus (sister to Springbok), Malmistic and Plenty. The remainder of the programme of the third day, and also that for the entire fourth day, is made up of purses. On the last day the Maxwell House Stake will be run; it is for three-year-olds, and has thirteen entries, including Gift, Malmistic and Phoebe H. A mile-and-a-quarter purse follows, and then a consolation race, with allowances for beaten horses, winds up the meeting. A greater number of horses are now undergoing preparation at Nashville than on any previous occasion; and with the addition of the horses from New Orleans, the racing promises to be the most brilliant ever held on that time-honored course. President Johnson and Mr. George W. Darden, the well-known Secretary of the Association, may be congratulated on the prospective success of their efforts to encourage and foster the "sport of kings".

THE KENNEL REGISTER.

As we explained before, the Kennel Register will be published by the National Kennel Club, a fact which is quite sufficient to satisfy anyone interested in correct pedigrees, that it must be the recognized authority, since genuine pedigrees and not pecuniary consideration is the object. We will receive the names of all dogs to be registered, which we will publish in our Kennel Department, and then hand them over to the Secretary of the National Kennel Club for investigation by the committee to be appointed for the purpose at the meeting in August next, to be afterwards published in the register. Blanks with instructions will be furnished on application, for all of which we make no charge. Our cotemporary, the *Forest and Stream*, claims to have opened a kennel register before Mr. Burges' book was published, and quotes from a letter from Messrs. J. B. Ford & Co., that said book was not issued until March, whereas they announced their register on February 10th. Of course, we are bound to accept this statement of ignorance of Mr. Burges' book, but we do know that we received personally of Mr. Howard, of Messrs. J. B. Ford & Co., a synopsis of the contents of said book, in the middle of January, that said circulars were distributed at the Chicago show, and that on our return to New York, February 5th, where we then resided, we found an advance copy of the book (with engravings of dogs only omitted) for reviewing. Now either our cotemporary was overlooked and did not receive a copy, or is mistaken in dates. In this matter we have no other object than a desire and determination to have a correct register. Rather than not have such a one, it will be better not to have any. That the Kennel Club, composed as it is of the principal owners and breeders of dogs, is the proper body to publish such a book we are satisfied of, and have no doubt that the majority of sportsmen will so view the matter.

HIPPODROMING PEDESTRIANISM.—An associated press dispatch, dated San Francisco, April 23d, appeared in the Chicago daily papers of the following date, to the effect that "O'Leary and Schmehl have agreed upon a 500 mile walk for \$2,000 a side in this city some time in May." O'Leary has been in California for some weeks, and recently finished 500 miles in that city, being credited with doing the distance under 140 hours. Schmehl started last Saturday to meet O'Leary and make up some sort of an exhibition walk, having already had some correspondence about it. It is time now that this man Schmehl should be shown up in his true light as a pedestrian. His sole performance was at McCormick's Hall, in February last, in which he was scored up by his judges so as to be credited with having beaten O'Leary's record. The fraud was so patent that beyond our refusal at the time to accept the record we deemed it unnecessary to expose the matter any further. For some time previous to his walk, and since that time, Schmehl has been living upon the charity of a few friends, and scraped together sufficient funds last week to buy an emigrant ticket to San Francisco, there to enter into this hippodroming scheme. The idea of his being advertised to walk against O'Leary for such a stake as \$2,000, is ridiculous to residents of this city, and the parties to it would not have dared to attempt such a barefaced imposition here. If Schmehl, or any of his friends, desired to make a match against O'Leary, they could have been accommodated by parties in this city who would be only too glad to bet \$10,000 to \$2,000 against him; and there are now in this city two pedestrians who would be very happy to make an even match against Schmehl at any distance, from one to five hundred miles. In fact, every attempt has been made by one of them to get on a match; but, knowing the nature of his previous performances, neither he nor his friends would risk one cent in a bona-fide match. We regret very much to learn that O'Leary has resorted to making bogus gate-money matches, and unless he wants to lose his best friends, those who have placed him in his present position in the face of great obstacles, he will at once get out of this mode of doing business. He can have a genuine match here in Chicago as soon as he returns, the man and money having been ready previous to his going to California.

We will state in this connection, as many inquiries have been made, that the absence of O'Leary will in no way interfere with the long-distance championship tournament, which begins on May 15, in Chicago.

CENTENNIAL BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.—The following is the programme of the tournament which is to be held at Horticultural Hall, Broad street, Philadelphia, from May 15th to 27th, inclusive: The tournament to be open to all professionals of acknowledged skill and standing. Should there be more than ten entries, the committee reserve the right to select that number of contestants from among those having the best record. The game will be the scientific and artistic three-ball carom, 300 points up, with 2½ inch balls on a 5x10 standard American table. The Collender International Challenge Cup rules to govern the playing. Each player to contest with every other player, the winner of the greatest number of games to receive first prize, and the remaining prizes to be awarded according to the record of each contest in the tournament. The subscription purse of \$5,000 will be apportioned as follows: First prize, \$2,000, including the *New York Clipper's* prize of \$1,000; second prize, \$1,200; third prize, \$800; fourth prize, \$500; fifth prize, \$300; sixth prize, \$200.

THE DUBUQUE TROTTER MEETING.—Early in June, the Agricultural and Mechanical Exhibition of the Northwest, will be held at Dubuque, Iowa, and \$4,050 will be given as premiums for three day's trotting and running. The full programme is advertised in this issue, together with the rules governing the entries and the meeting. Tuesday, June 6th, is the first day, and on it we have two \$500 purses for the 3:20 and 2:30 classes, and \$200 for a catchweight half-mile running race. On the following day there is a purse of \$250 for county horses that have never beaten 3:00; two purses of \$500 for 2:50 and 2:35 horses, and a two-mile Novelty running race. Thursday is the last day, and on it the two trotting races are 3:00, and free for all, for \$500 each, and a running race of mile heats, best 3 in 5, for a purse of \$800; the entries for the trotting races close on May 3, but Freeport records do not constitute a bar. Entries for the running races do not close until June 5. Mr. M. S. Robinson is the Secretary, and from him all particulars can be obtained.

THE SPRINGFIELD BENCH SHOW.—On the eve of going to press we received the special dispatch from "Mohawk," which is published in another column, conveying the gratifying intelligence that the Springfield Dog Show was inaugurated on Wednesday with an immense entry, no less than three hundred and fifty-seven being registered. Full particulars of the meeting of the Massachusetts State Sportsman's Association is also to be found in the same dispatch. In our next issue a full report of the show will be given.

DAVENPORT (IOWA) TROTTER MEETING.—The Scott County Agricultural Association claim from September 4th to 9th for their annual meeting, which takes place at Davenport, Iowa.

The State Sportsman's Association of Nebraska meets at Lincoln, May 16th.

LOUISIANA JOCKEY CLUB.—The full particulars of the racing at New Orleans from our special correspondent will be read with interest. The reports are of the last five days, and it would appear that the turf is well patronized by the residents of the Crescent City, for the attendance at the track was very good. We are glad of this, for without the support of the public racing cannot flourish. The second day's sport began with a three-quarters-of-a-mile race, with seven starters; and Verdigris, a very good, steady runner, upset a hot favorite in Osseo, a half-brother to Olitipa, from Captain Cottrill's stable, who has yet to win his first race. The Louisiana Stake which followed had only three starters, Volcano, Pompey's Pillar and Nannie F. After running the first heat Volcano went lame, and Pompey's Pillar won the second and also the third, in which Volcano broke his off fore-leg, and put an end to his turf career. A mile race, each to carry one hundred pounds, finished the day's racing. Seven started, and Kilburn defeated the third favorite of the day, Survivor. On Wednesday matters began with a mile-and-an-eighth race, and a good one it was, the three placed finishing within a length. Harry Hill was the winner, and Verdigris, who was heavily supported, could not get nearer than third. A three-mile race was a gift to Sam Harper, opposed only by such worn-out campaigners as Falmouth and Busy Bee; and the mile-heat race was an equally easy win for Captain Hutchinson with Puss Broadnax second, and Mollie B. distanced in the second heat. Little can be said for the racing of the fourth day, which was very meagre in quality; the only feature worth mentioning was the appearance of the Mobile filly, Ascension, who beat Survivor and Jack Trigg in a mile-and-a-half. We should think from this that she might have credited Captain Cottrill with the Louisiana Stake if she had been pulled out on Tuesday. A hurdle race began the fifth day's sport, and Colonel Nelligan repeated his victory of the previous Saturday; three out of seven starters came to grief over the hurdles, but nobody was hurt. Then came the free handicap, but the allotting of the weights must have been made with poor judgment, or Kilburn would not have been sold against the field of three. He pulled his backers through without any trouble. Stampede and Captain Hutchinson then met to decide their claims to first money in a mile and three-quarter race, and the son of War Dance showed the Captain a very clean pair of heels as soon as he was sent along. On the last day, the first event was the Fortuna Stake, for which Harry Hill, Osseo, and Southern Express started, and Harry Hill won easily. For the Consolation race, Survivor, Enlister, and Puss Broadnax, and the first-named secured \$225 worth of consolation to Mr. Burton as a salve for his previous defeats. The four-mile-heat race which was looked forward to with many anticipations of a good race, turned out a very tame affair, Sam Harper saving himself an extra journey by distancing his only opponent, Falmouth, in the first heat, and bringing the day's sport to an abrupt close.

FOOL-HARDY.—At the Adelphi, Joe A. Gulick, who terms himself the American William Tell, with a rifle loaded with a bullet, shoots an apple from the head of Miss Mary Treat, at the distance of the width of the stage. There is no deception about the matter; it is *bona fide*, and is nothing short of a reckless exposure of life for a pecuniary benefit, gained by pandering to the morbid curiosity of the public. The fool-hardiness of the man is equaled only by the nerve of the girl, who, blindfolded, without flinching awaits the shot, which is as likely to crash through her brain as to shatter the apple. When we consider how slight a variation from the mark would cost the girl her life, we insist on it that exhibitions of such a character, where the life of an individual is at stake, should be stopped by the authorities. It might be said, if Miss Treat is willing to run the risk it is her affair and does not concern anyone else; but we think differently. Neither is the fact that it has been accomplished so often any guarantee that it can always be done, for the death of the unfortunate girl, who, standing against a board, allowed herself to be impaled with knives, is yet fresh in the public mind. The feat had been accomplished a thousand times at least, but one night one of the knives failed of its accuracy, and instead of entering the board directly above the girl's head, lodged in her skull, when, with a shriek, the victim sank to the ground and died in a short time. If we mistake not, the same fate is in store for Miss Treat.

In no way can it be regarded other than as we look on it; neither can it be claimed that it develops proficiency in the rifle, but on the contrary it tends to reckless experiments.

KENTUCKY STATE SPORTSMAN'S ASSOCIATION.—The second annual exhibition and shooting tournament of this association takes place at Lexington, Ky., on May 9, 10, 11 and 12. The bench show of setters and pointers takes place on the 10th, and they are divided into eighteen classes, liberal prizes being awarded in each. On the remaining days, \$1,500 will be given in prizes for pigeon shooting. This liberality will ensure the attendance of the best shots in the country, and, as it is the week of the Lexington Racing Association, it will be a gala one for sportsmen who affect the gun and dog as well as the horse. The railroads running to Lexington have made ample arrangements for the conveyance of dogs, and special rates and excursion tickets will be issued to sportsmen attending the meeting.

GUN FOR SALE.—One of F. J. Abbey's patent action breech-loading guns, rebounding locks, 12 bore, but little used (as good as new), for sale at \$100 less than cost. Apply to F. J. Abbey & Co., 43 South Clark street, Chicago, Ill. [Advertisement.]

KALAMAZOO DRIVING PARK.—This well-known association is out with its advertisement of the programme for the annual meeting which takes place on June 6th to 9th, inclusive. It is a *bona fide* trotting meeting, consisting of two trots each day, with a total of \$6,800 for purses. The premiums are divided as follows: on the first day, the 3:00 and 2:30 classes; on the second day, the 2:44 and 2:26 classes; on the third day, the 2:50 and 2:34 classes; and on the last day, the 2:40 and 2:22 classes. The last named purse is \$1,200, of which \$650 goes to first, \$350 to second, and \$200 to third. All the others are \$800 each, half of which goes to the winner, \$200 to second, \$120 to third and \$80 to fourth. The full particulars may be found by consulting the advertisement; we draw attention, however, to the date of closing the entries, which is May 31. The track is one of the finest in the country, and we feel assured that the meeting will be a grand success, under its liberal management.

OUR APPEARANCE.—From all quarters, and through hundreds of letters, we receive the congratulations and cheering words of hosts of friends on the general appearance of the FIELD, for which we say to one and all, "a thousand thanks." With such friends the paper must continue to prosper. And here we desire to say that the typographical beauty is mainly due to the skill of the pressman; and, in the person of Mr. Emile Protis, we consider that we have one of the best in the West. He is the foreman of the press rooms of Messrs. Blakely & Brown, a firm which always turns out good work, and employs only first-class men. When we are in receipt of so many compliments we in turn desire to give credit where credit is due.

THE ORVIS REEL.—We direct the attention of all readers of the FIELD who are interested in angling, to the advertisement of Chas. J. Orvis, Esq., of Manchester, Vermont. The lovers of fishing throughout the country, are under obligations to him, in placing before them this valuable invention, and as he has been at a heavy outlay to perfect it, we hope he may receive his reward by large orders in future. He desires particular attention to the manner in which the reel is operated, as stated in advertisement.

TO EXCHANGES.—In our exchanges we notice many items from our columns, credited to *The Field*, which is apt to confuse us with our cotemporary the *London Field*. Awarding to every one credit due them, we ask the same return; and request our cotemporaries, in future, to credit us as the CHICAGO FIELD, so as to distinguish us from our London namesake.

DOGS FOR SALE.—We direct the attention of sportsmen to the advertisements of dogs for sale, which appear this week.

The Springfield Dog Show and the Massachusetts State Sportsman's Association.

[By Special Dispatch to THE CHICAGO FIELD.]

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., April 26, 1876.

The dog show is a grand success, both as regards the large number of entries and the quality of the dogs exhibited. The total number of entries foot up 357. A large number of the prominent sportsmen of the country are on hand.

The Massachusetts State Sportsmen's Association met to-day at two o'clock, in the City Hall, a full representation of delegates being present. Luther Adams, of Boston, presided. After the usual routine of business, an election of officers for the ensuing year was held, which resulted as follows: President, George Delano, New Bedford; Recording Secretary, Warren Hopegood, Boston; Corresponding Secretary, Dana K. Fitch, Worcester; Treasurer, Luther Adams, Boston. The following gentlemen were elected as delegates to represent the Association at the National Sportsman's Association: Luther Adams, Boston; A. F. Copeland, Boston; C. D. Lewis, Framingham; Jerome Marble, Worcester, and S. T. Hammond, Springfield.

The meeting adjourned to meet at the Bay State House, Worcester on the 7th of December. MOHAWK.

ST. LOUIS, April 19.—EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Snipe shooting has received considerable attention from our sportsmen in the last two weeks. One party, consisting of Mr. Arthur Gale, C. B. Greeley, Ruf. Easton and Theo. McDeadmon, having had a splendid time at Elm Point, Mo., and bagging a very fine lot of birds. Another party, chartered by the favorite, Maurice Wilson, composed of Mr. McManus, of St. Louis, and Mr. Ed. Nahar, of Boston, with cook and servant, were at Darden and Willow Swamps, Mo., for five days. Many friends of this party were the recipients of a dozen each very fine birds, (promised.) "Game" at the Health Office has been a prominent feature during the refitting and remodeling, and thoroughly enjoyed by numbers of our friends. T.

"Old Reliable."

The Sharp's Rifle Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., (formerly of Hartford) has adopted the above trade-mark—an exceedingly appropriate one under the circumstances, for of the hundreds of thousands made and sold during the past twenty-six years, no Sharp's rifle, whether in the hands of soldier, hunter or marksman, has ever failed, when put to the test, to prove itself an "OLD RELIABLE." Indeed, in all the essentials of simplicity, safety, accuracy and execution. During all these years the company have been from time to time improving their arms, and are justified in claiming as they do that Sharp's rifles were "the best in 1850, and are still the best in 1876." Owing to a long and vexatious litigation among the members of the original Sharp's rifle manufacturing company, the production of Sharp's rifles was for several years almost discontinued, but in 1875 all of the patents, machinery, etc., were sold to entirely new organization, specially chartered by the Connecticut legislature. This company has erected extensive works at Bridgeport, where large numbers of these arms are being made. Indeed, the company is now compelled to run extra hours in order to fill their orders. No rifle is permitted to leave their armory until it has been severely tested for strength and accuracy, and every purchaser of a Sharp's rifle can rely on having bought a gun that won't shoot backward, and will shoot just where it is aimed.—*Hartford (Ct.) Courant.*

THE CHICAGO FIELD is a large, finely illustrated sporting paper, and is the acknowledged authority on all sporting matters in the West. We heartily commend it to those of our readers desiring such paper, as in every way deserving their patronage.—*Daily Tribune, Salt Lake City.*

TO SPORTSMEN.—Sportsmen requiring best Double Guns, of finest London makes, are informed that Messrs. Boss & Co., gun makers, 73 St. James street, London, Eng., will shortly be represented in Chicago by Mr. E. WALTON, who respectfully solicits orders from sportsmen requiring first-class weapons. Address, Chicago Field Office.—Advertisement.

Rifle.

THE ENGLISH RIFLE TEAM.—The following letter from Sir Henry Halford was received by the Secretary of the National Rifle Association:

WINSLOW, LEICESTER, Eng., April 2, 1876.

DEAR SIR—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th ult. I regret very much the misconception that has existed about the championship match. I trust that your Board of Directors will quite understand that I do not in any way impute the slightest blame to them in the matter, and as they have been kind enough to detail to me through you the various steps taken, I trust they will excuse my explaining (now that I have ceased to have any official connection with the match) how the misconception has arisen.

When your American team was at Wimbledon we quite understood that they were authorized to offer a challenge for a match to be shot in America between the United States and Great Britain.

Afterwards when some members of the team did me the honor to visit me here, we first heard of the championship match to be open to all countries; but we were fully persuaded that the American gentlemen understood our position, and that invitations would be sent to the National Rifle Association in Canada and to the other colonies of Great Britain, inasmuch as the members of the Canadian and other colonial associations could not compete for places on the home team. The idea of either Scotland or Ireland sending an independent team had not been entertained, and the leading shots of both Ireland and Scotland were invited to compete for places in our team.

The receipt by clubs in Ireland and Scotland, of separate invitations, gave a new aspect to the matter. Your telegram quoted in your last led me to suppose that the sending of these separate invitations was a mere act of courtesy on the part of your Board, for if you will bear in mind that we had every reason to suppose that your Board recognized me as the representative of our National Rifle Association of Great Britain, and your telegram in saying that any team I organized would be accepted, English, Irish, Scotch, or mixed, admitted you, will allow, of the interpretation that a team from the United Kingdom, not organized by me, would not be accepted.

It was obvious that I should not organize an Irish or a Scotch team. Before the receipt of yours of the 13th ult., we had no idea of the general character of the invitation—viz: "to every known rifle association or club."

This is a condition which, while taking in two or three rifle clubs in Ireland, and as many in Scotland, happens entirely to exclude England, which, not being a separate country, has no rifle association, though it has numerous county associations, which, like some of the Irish and Scotch associations, form part of the National Rifle Association of Great Britain.

I trust that your rifle matches will be a satisfactory feature in the Centennial rejoicings, and regret much that there will be no opportunity for a friendly trial of skill between an American and a British team. Believe me to be yours, truly, HENRY ST. JOHN HALFORD.

G. S. SCHERERHORN, Secretary National Rifle Association of New York.

Rifle Shooting at Colorado Springs.

On Wednesday April 5th, quite an interesting rifle shoot took place at Colorado Springs, for a purse of \$50; three men representing the "Springs," against three champions from Denver. When we say that neither team were armed with the far shooters of Sharpe or Remington, or provided with the usual variety of sights and fixtures, the shooting was good, as the scores show. Mr. Gove's score at 300 yards, credits Denver with having an off-hand-shooter second to none in this country.

SCORE.	
DENVER—300 YARDS.	500 YARDS.
Gove.....5 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 49.....5 4 5 2 5 5 4 5 4—44	
Goodell.....2 4 5 3 4 3 3 3 4 5—36.....5 2 5 3 3 5 0 3 5 3—31	
Miner.....3 5 5 4 4 5 3 3 5 4—41.....5 4 2 5 5 3 5 4 4—42	
COLORADO SPRINGS—300 YARDS.	500 YARDS.
Robey.....2 5 4 3 4 4 5 4 3 4—38.....5 4 5 3 5 2 4 2 2—37	
Stockbridge.....5 3 3 3 2 3 5 4 5 5—38.....3 0 4 2 4 5 2 4 2 5—31	
Sherman.....3 4 4 4 3 3 3 5 4 5—38.....3 3 5 3 5 2 4 4 3 5—37	
Denver winning by 126 and 119 to 114 and 105. The victory of Denver was not due to superior marksmanship as to the superior weapons carried by the Denver men.	
On the following day a scrub match for a purse was shot for by teams of four, representing the rival clubs, five shots each man, the Springers won by 3 points.	
—The Chicago Rifle Club on the 22d inst. shot for a revolver presented by George Beutenmuller. Teams were made up of those on the ground. The best team then shot again for the pistol, which was to go to the highest scorer. Below is the complete score, 250 yards, off-hand.	
S. W. Burnham.....4 3 4 4 3 3 3 4 3 4—35	
Walter Burnham.....4 3 4 4 3 4 4 0 4 5—35	
W. R. Allen.....3 3 3 3 4 3 5 3 4 3—34	
D. B. Fisk.....4 3 0 4 3 4 2 4 4—31	
Geo. Beutenmuller.....3 4 4 4 3 3 3 4 0—31	
B. L. Nourse.....3 4 2 0 2 3 4 4 4 3—29	
Total.....195	
J. A. Shaffer.....4 3 4 4 4 3 5 4 4 5—40	
S. E. Bliss.....4 4 4 2 4 4 2 4 3 4—35	
H. G. Howe.....4 4 3 0 4 3 4 5 4 4—35	
O. C. Blackmer.....3 0 2 4 4 0 4 5 4 5—31	
J. W. Roberts.....3 2 2 4 2 3 2 4 4 2—28	
H. W. S. Cleveland.....3 4 0 3 3 2 4 4 0 2—25	
Total.....194	
S. W. Burnham.....3 5 4—12 Fisk.....4 3 3—10	
W. Burnham.....3 3 4—10 Beutenmuller.....4 4 2—10	
Allen.....4 3 3—10 Nourse.....3 0 0—3	

MILWAUKEE, WIS., April 25, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—The first competition for the 500 yard field glass presented to the Milwaukee Rifle Club by E. H. Brodhead, took place on the 14th of April, and was won by Mr. C. Turner, with a score of 72 out of a possible 75. In the second competition which took place last Friday, Mr. E. D. Bangs won, as will be seen by the following score:

E. D. Bangs.....5 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 4 5 5 5 5—71	
C. Turner.....3 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 4 5 5—70	
E. Fielding.....5 5 4 5 5 5 4 4 3 5 4 5 5—69	
H. Yale.....4 3 5 4 5 5 5 5 4 5 5 4 5—69	
W. Sketch.....4 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 4 4 2 5 5—66	
J. Meuhler.....4 3 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 4 4 5 4 5—66	
C. Hawley.....3 3 2 4 5 2 2 4 4 4 5 4 5—58	
J. Johnston.....3 0 5 4 2 5 4 3 3 3 5 2 3 5—52	
J. Arnold.....2 0 5 4 3 4 4 3 4 4 4 4 5 3—49	
H. Booth.....2 4 4 5 2 4 5 2 3 0 4 4 0 5—49	
C. Simonds.....0 0 4 5 5 0 3 4 3 4 2 5 3 4—43	

JAY.

MAJOR LEECH.—The following from the *Irish Times*, does no more than justice, to our gallant friend Major Leech, who was captain of the Irish team, and who proposes to again lead the plucky Irishmen in their rifle campaign at the Centennial:

"We are glad for the credit of Ireland that Major Leech has been prevailed upon to become again the chief head of the Irish rifle team. He has had great experience as the captain of the Irish Rifle Association. He is indefatigable in working out anything he once undertakes to do, and his powers of organization, and what is no less valuable, of control, are unequalled. The Centenary exhibition will open next June, and the Irish team will probably not depart until the latter end of August or beginning of September. Meanwhile, the men must practice perseveringly, for the Americans will certainly not surrender the honor they won without a determined struggle. As Major Leech says, 'we have the right men, and from communications I have had with them, we mean to work.' To this we shall merely add that the men have the right leader, too."

THE RHODE ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIP.—The first of the series of the three competitions for the championship badge of the Rhode Island Amateur Rifle Club was held at Valley Falls on April 22d. The following is the score on the 1,000-yard range out of a possible 50: Rahboth, 29; Howe, 26; Keyes, 25; Thomas, 22; E. L. Freeman, 21; Crowe, 20; F. Freeman, 19. Rahboth won the medal. The wind was high and changeable during the competition. The Rev. Francis H. Hemperly has been elected President. He is a good preacher and first-class shot.

THE JAMAICA RIFLE ASSOCIATION are preparing for an active season. They are putting up two targets at 300 yards; two of the prizes are decided upon. The champion badge will be competed for on the 17th of May, 14th of June, 12th of July, 9th of August, 13th of September, 11th of October, and to become the property of the one who first wins it three times. The challenge badge will be shot for weekly, from May 6th to October 28th, inclusive, and is to become the property of he who is oftenest at the head of the score.

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An Unlucky Huntsman.

(Written for THE CHICAGO FIELD.)

CHAPTER I.

There is a class of huntsmen who, if they find any pleasure in the "pathless woods", must derive it from bad luck. I am going to tell you about a representative of this class—an old acquaintance, who has often campaigned with me in my annual deer hunts in the Lake Superior region. For convenience, as well as with a view to fitness, I shall call him John Calamity, and give you a description of the misfortunes which, in a single day, overtook this man of ill-starred destiny. Bad luck followed him like his shadow. The fairest fruits which seemed to smile their invitations to "Come and pluck us—we have been watching and pining for you so long"—would prove after confiding Calamity had plucked them, like the fabulous apples of the Dead Sea, fair to the sight, ashes to the taste.

The ninth day of evil visitation is closing loweringly over "tempest-tossed" Calamity. Portentous clouds are looming up in the West. A pall of mist and smoke, which adds much to the charm and grandeur of wild-wood scenes in Autumn, was silently masking the ravines and lowlands. The calm which precedes the storm gave increased sound and echo to his footfalls. The sharp-eyed raven was the first of the forest denizens to note the presence of this invading enemy, and instantly, with flapping wings and croaking cries, he gave warning to the inhabitants of that dark retreat by shouting at the top of his voice, "The foe! the foe! the hated, bloody tyrant, the lord of creation comes!" The little red squirrel dropped the pine cone on which he had been making his supper, and ran to and fro on a fallen tree, and chided and chattered as only a little red squirrel which is very angry and very hungry can do. The sombrous-voiced owl said, "Who, who, who are you?" The ruffed grouse ceased his drumming, hopped from the moss-covered log, and, with close-lying feathers, sought a favorite retreat. The porcupine suddenly relinquished the tender raspberry shoot which he had been holding in his paw, bear-fashion, and on which he had been browsing, dropped clumsily from the log on which he had been feeding and shambled out of sight. The cowardly wolf—lean and shy, gaunt and hungry, the emblem of famine—slunk away in search of a darker retreat. The retreating wolf frightened two little sister fawns almost out of their wits, and they sped with flying leaps within thirty feet of Calamity, the author of all this turmoil. If the poor fawns were frightened, John Calamity was dazed. He discharged each barrel of his gun in quick succession at the fawns, as he supposed, but in reality into thin air, fully ten feet above their backs, as the falling twigs and perforated bark of a dark blue-green fir attested.

O, that an artist—a Hogarth—had been there to catch his facial expression as he stood for a full minute and gazed at the ball-marks on the wounded tree! A fairer opportunity to delineate Blasted Hope never was "wasted on the desert air."

This man, who until now had been playing the part of "The monarch of all I survey," this central figure in "The Wild Wood Drama," looked about him, as we all do after a *faux pas*, to note whether or not a brother lord had been an eye witness. What a silent world this would be if each of us who would speak of his good deeds were compelled to off-set the same with his inglorious ones!

No disinterested brother being present to sit in judgment on this man, whom the Fates seemed to delight in persecuting, he assumed that task himself. His finding may be expressed in two words, viz.: "Buck Aque." Calamity was humiliated. Each day he had said to his more successful comrades, "If I could only get a chance," and he would look unutterable deeds of blood and carnage.

If you had been passing by on this occasion, you might have heard him soliloquizing as follows: "Calamity you have been rash. I feel mortified at your miserable failure. What would that dreadful tease, Jo. Brown, say if he knew that you had been wasting your buck-shot on a fir-tree? Don't you know that your comrades would ride you on a rail three times round camp to the music of tin plates and horn, if they only knew? Had it not been for your rashness, you might have had a good story to tell after supper, while your comrades were enjoying their pipes. How will you feel when you get home, when your 'spouse and boys' meet you at the depot? Little Calamity will ask, as the expressman tumbles out deer upon deer, 'Which ones did you kill pa?' You may try to repress the eager boy, who only awaits coming manhood to tread in the footsteps of his father; but you know that he is irrepressible; you know, too, that the dog-in-the-manger man will be there to second little Calamity's search after facts, and question you relentlessly until the truth will out. Then will follow knowing winks and nods and I told you so's. Now, Calamity, brush that pendant tear from the tip of your nose, and henceforth guard against rashness."

CHAPTER II.

At this juncture a vivid flash of lightning, followed by a heavy burst of thunder, directed his thoughts from misfortunes of the past to impending dangers of the present. The vital question which was agitating his mind was in what direction is camp?

To all, except an adept in wood-craft, the mysteries of "the pathless woods" is a sealed book. He consulted his compass; to his inexpressible amazement, the north pole pointed south! He shook it impatiently, and yet it persistently pointed south. Was it crazy, was the air overcharged with electricity?

He had heard experienced woodmen say that they could determine the cardinal points of the compass by the moss on trees—the north side being more moss-grown. He scanned the trees which on every hand walled him in, but to his inexperienced eye, a moss-covered tree was only a moss-covered tree, and nothing more. He had also heard them say that by noting the direction of the clouds when one starts out in the morning that he could keep a course. But he had failed to take an observation. He remembered, too, having heard some one say that to find your way out of the woods when compass, moss, clouds and all fail, to follow a rivulet and it will guide you to a brook; follow the brook and it will take you to a river, follow the river and it will lead you to a village. Or, if there are no streams sit down or go into camp until you are missed, and your comrades will fire their guns for you. But, where is the rivulet? Night is coming on and soon the sable goddess shall reign over all and not a ray of light save the lightning's flash, shall dispute her sway.

Urged by the exigency of his surroundings, Calamity

faced to the North and followed his pocket guide. He did this under protest, saying, "It will lead me to a brook." He had gone but a short distance when an antlered buck walked out from the underbrush within short range, and stopped to look at him. Calamity, rendered wise by his late experience, drew his gun slowly and cautiously from his shoulder, carefully avoiding quick motions, pressed his fingers on the triggers, as he pulled back the hammers, to prevent the locks from clicking, and as he brought his gun to a ready, cautioned himself against rashness. "Aim low, John Calamity; look well to your sights! Make sure work this time; no more rashness!" Then followed two distinct snaps, and the antlered king, with "rainbow bounds immense," sped away "where the woodbine twineth." The arm which he had aimed with such commendable caution was *not* loaded. Calamity, the persecuted, recollected it all very well—just a moment too late. He hastily charged one barrel and capped the empty one and resumed his march towards the north pole. After a rapid walk of a quarter of a mile he came within ear-shot of running water. Following the direction whence the sound came, he reached the banks of an amber-colored river. He thought it resembled the stream on which his party was encamped, except it flowed in a reverse direction. He stood on its lonely margin, and sighed for a chance to kick the lying bard who sung, "There is a rapture on the lonely shore." Viewed from Calamity's stand point, the lonely shore is a delusion and a snare.

He rolled a log into the stream, which was narrow but deep, and held one end of it, while the current carried the other down until it lodged against the opposing bank. He felt a glow of pride as he viewed for a moment this triumph of engineering skill over the forces of Nature. It was the only piece of good luck he had met since coming into the woods. His face brightened visibly; his luck would turn. Using his gun to preserve his balance, he started for the opposite bank. But alas! how often do the means which we call to our aid, under the advice of that mysterious endowment called Reason, fail to perform the desired part. When he was about midway betwixt the banks of this unknown river, the rear end of the bridge floated from its moorings and drifted down stream. At a glance, Calamity took in the situation and pressed forward, but the treacherous log turned on its axis and Calamity found him a watery grave.

His luck had made one turn. This little mishap—though it was exceedingly unpleasant—was not fatal in its results. This man of Bad Luck was more alive than dead by a liberal margin when he ascended the opposite bank and emptied the amber-colored waters from his gun-barrels. He was cold and wet, hungry and weary. His gun, in its present condition, was useless, his matches ditto. It was too dark to read the compass, and, subsidiary to these inconveniences, the rain now began to fall. Once more the tip of his nose supported a pendant tear.

Most of us can bear privation with a fair degree of equanimity, provided it shall be off-set by a proportionate degree of success. Success sheds a halo of glory over the waste, and drops a veil over its thorns. To one of Calamity's limited ability and experience in wood-craft, the "howling wilderness," shrouded in impenetrable darkness, possesses untold terrors. What *parensu* huntsman would not be moved by the wolf's dismal wail, or the fierce cougar's unearthly scream? In addition to these there are inanimate sighs and moans, which lend emphasis to living voices and real terrors. "There may be pleasure in the pathless woods," mused Calamity, "but it is subject to qualifications." Disguise it as we will, there are times in the lives of us all when pale-faced fear reigns supreme over all other passions. "A man will give all he hath to save his life." But the darkest hour is just before it gets a little lighter. While Calamity was standing on that "lonely shore," refusing to go into raptures, the amber-colored water dripping from his garments, and he shivering with cold, the sound of a wood-man's axe fell upon his ear. The sound was sweeter than "ten thousand harps and voices," and in a brief time he traversed the furlong which intervened betwixt him and the axe-man. Before he got within speaking distance, improbable as it may seem to the inexperienced, he discovered that the chopper was a comrade, and near by was the camp of which he was in search.

JOHN J. BROMPTON, alias WM. M. LOCKE.

The C. B. Sportsmen's Hunt.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA, April 15, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Yesterday the Council Bluffs Sporting Club enjoyed their Spring side hunt, and below I send you the score as published in our morning paper.

THE HUNT—THE RESULT.

It was late last night before all the members of the Sportsmen Club, who had been out on the side hunt, succeeded in reaching the city, and handing in their count of game, upon which depended the decision as to which side was victor. When all had reported the count was made up with the following result:

Capt. R. Green.....	40	Capt. A. C. Graham.....	77
C. H. Babbitt, not out.....	3	L. W. Babbitt.....	8
J. Beresheim.....	3	T. Bowman.....	32
S. C. Bowman.....	14	O. J. W. Chapman.....	27
J. C. Hoffmayr.....	14	R. J. Cory, not out.....	14
J. Keller.....	14	H. Heywood.....	79
J. C. Morgan.....	62	B. F. Montgomery.....	34
R. Mullis.....	16	J. W. Morse.....	31
W. Oliver.....	3	Joseph Moss.....	0
Chas. Pfäfer.....	55	H. C. Nutt, not out.....	0
G. Richardson.....	52	J. T. Oliver.....	77
V. P. Wightman, not out.....	9	Dr. Wall.....	9
Total.....	250	Total.....	374

Notwithstanding the unpropitiousness of the weather and consequent scarcity of game, the boys have made a very fair score in the aggregate. The day was clear and cold, succeeding a terribly severe snow storm the day before, and game was not only scarce but wild, and flew high. *En passant*—"The longer a man lives, the more he finds out." Who can account for the singular freaks of our game birds this Spring? None or very few are to be found where they have been usually found before, and where they were never seen before, they may be found in considerable quantities this Spring. Is it owing to the peculiar open Winter we have had? or what is it?

As Spring advances our young Kentucky Clay trotters may be seen in harness preparing for a glorious or more doubtful future, as the case may be. The types make sad havoc sometimes. In my last I spoke of a stock horse, Kentucky Clay, from Dr. Herr's stable. You had it Dr. Heom or How, or some other outlandish slander on Dr. Herr, as well as his friend here who has possession of the horse, to-wit, Dr. Bennett. The letters I promised you I will write after spring hunting is over and after we have

made a better bag than the above score shows. By the way I can't close without relating a little joke we got on our friends across the river. I mean the first station on the U. P. R. R. Heretofore they have waited until we had fixed a day for our spring hunt and then they fixed theirs for the day before and were always sure to hunt over our ground. Well, this year we met and quietly selected April 14th. On the next day the papers announced that the hunt would take place on the 21st, one week later. The papers were promptly sent to our Omaha friends, and the next day that club met and decided to have their hunt April 20th. Do you see? The old game. The 14th came and we had our hunt. It then appeared that our *Omahogs* had been sold at their own game. They can now hunt after we have got through.

ENID, PA., April 24th, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—The beautiful and attractive appearance of the last number of the FIELD cannot fail to elicit the admiration of every sportsman who was fortunate enough to have secured or seen a copy of it. We were all satisfied with the FIELD as it *was*, and surely the fine tinted paper would have been improvement enough for one issue, but when you come to add to that the beautiful supplement, you quite overcome us with kindness, and the only way that I know of by which we can show our appreciation of all these good things, is for each one who now gets the FIELD to secure a new subscriber, and thus double your subscription list in one week.

The Northwestern Pennsylvania Game and Fish Association, have commenced the good work of protection in earnest by making a sudden raid upon fish dealers and others, some for exposing for sale, and others for having unlawfully in possession black bass, pike or pickerel, the law of May, 1873, making it an offense to capture or to have either of these kinds in possession between the first day of March, and the first day of June, and affixing a heavy penalty therefor. This is the third attempt that has been made to protect the bay as a fishing ground, and, though by an indirect method, it bids fair to be successful. The first, six years ago, resulted disastrously for the officers who made it; the next, last year, was made under an act, so defective, that it was difficult to decide what court had jurisdiction in the premises; the last one is brought under the act dated above, and the prosecution of the suits is in the hands of J. C. Sturgeon, the attorney of the Game and Fish Association. In this work the Association are seconded by the mayor of the city, who has issued a proclamation calling upon the police and others in authority to search out and arrest all persons violating the law. The penalty is \$25 for each offense, and in default, imprisonment of not less than one day for each dollar of penalty.

The duck shooting is, perhaps, better than usual for this locality. Fred. Knobloch bagged twenty-one on the day before yesterday, and yesterday twenty-two, bringing down three at one shot.

L. V. N.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA, April 24, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—As I have just returned from a hunt, and having a little time to spare, thought I would make a report of the game in this section for the perusal of my fellow sportsmen, through the columns of the FIELD. For the past two or three weeks, duck shooting has been uncommonly good; all varieties appearing in abundance, affording rare sport to the gunner. Geese and brant passed over in endless numbers, none lingering in this neighborhood, but proceeded to their haunts north of here. Jack snipe have appeared in great abundance, and large bags are daily made by the Nimrods of our town.

Yours, SPORT.

QUINCY, ILL., April 17, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—The match that was announced to take place here on the 19th inst. between the St. Louis and Quincy shooting clubs, has been postponed indefinitely. Members of the St. Louis club cannot forgo the pleasures of snipe shooting for pigeon matches. There has been but few snipe killed in this vicinity this Spring; the snipe were late getting here, and high water has covered the grounds. The Mississippi river is "booming" high; higher from St. Paul to New Orleans than known for years; at this point within three feet as high as the high water of 1851, which was the highest known to the oldest inhabitant.

DOUBLETOW.

PANA, ILL., April 17, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—The shooting of snipe, etc., having closed under the law on Saturday, I presume to-day will be pretty generally devoted to the cleaning up of guns preparatory to standing them aside for a season.

With the close of the shooting season, I fear, will come a scarcity of items of interest in the sporting line in this vicinity; but as soon as the water falls a little more in the Okaw, I, in company with a number of "the boys" will be off to ply the "bob and sinker" in the swirls and eddies.

KERR E. SPONDENT.

PIQUA, OHIO, April 18, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—We have had some pigeon shooting, but the flocks were small. Some few ducks put in an appearance, but did not remain long. No snipe-shooting as yet; weather very fine. Quail are very scarce this Spring. I noticed an article some weeks ago in your paper, speaking about quail having cholera; the worst quail cholera that I know of, is *pot* hunters, which are numerous here.

Yours, truly, OBSERVER.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., April 18, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Sporting news in this county is dull—a few snipe; five to a gun a day is a fair bag. Ducks are plenty, but few have been shot. In a few of the old streams in the upper part of the county, trout have been caught, which were quite large; one gentleman took fifteen that would average over a pound a piece, and many have been taken that would tip the scale at eight ounces.

CROWN PRINCE.

CARLISLE, ILL., April 24, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Snipe have returned again, and those who hunt now report fine bags.

Fishing is all the rage. Catfish and perch are more plentiful than for years, in the Macoupin.

"LYNX".

ALABAMA.—T. L. D. writing from Montgomery, Alabama, says: "The snipe have nearly all left; a few fat, lazy ones only remain; one of our club killed nineteen on the 10th instant."

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA, April 17.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—I am sorry that I can not give a very glowing account of sport in this neck of woods; game is scarce.

J. C. H.

Miscellaneous.

Short Interview with Texas Jack.

J. B. Omohundro, Esq., (Texas Jack) is in town with the Buffalo Bill Combination Troupe, who appear at the Opera House this week. A Union reporter had a short interview with the gentleman this morning, and among other things of interest, gained some information that may be of interest to the numerous sportsmen of Rochester and vicinity. Mr. Omohundro, it may be well to state, is not the type of man whom some are apt to picture to themselves as scouts and trappers (the occupations which he followed before adopting his present line of business). It is usual to regard the traditional guide of the plains as an honest but uncouth specimen of humanity, whose chief desire is to kill Indians and consume bad whiskey. This picture would no more answer for the subject of this interview than darkness does for daylight. Mr. Omohundro is a gentleman in appearance as well as in fact. Standing about six feet or more in his stockings, with a figure that a sculptor would admire. He is a man who would be picked out of a crowd as a striking character. After a brief chat on passing topics, our reporter made known his wish to be informed of the best hunting grounds in the Western country, and requested to be given such points as might be of service to a party who contemplated going on an excursion. Mr. Omohundro cheerfully gave such information as he thought was wanted, but said that he had been traveling with the troupe for the last year, and is not now as familiar with all the matters of local interest on the hunting grounds as when he was out there. The West is growing so rapidly that the open plain of to-day may be covered with miners' tents or the cabins of a railroad station, to-morrow. But he recommends Tom Sun, of Rollins' Springs, Wyoming Territory, as a man who could be secured to guide a party successfully to the best shooting territory on the continent. Omohundro's own favorite grounds are in Nebraska. He recommends the region about 200 miles west of Omaha, on the North Platte. About 40 miles west of this point there is an abundance of game, consisting of black- and white-tailed deer, elk, antelope and innumerable willow grouse, ducks, geese, etc. South of this there is a fine prospect for buffalo, elk, deer, turkey and prairie chickens. From Rollins' Springs, 18 to 40 miles north, there are great numbers of deer, elk, mountain sheep, buffalo and bears; the latter, both black and grizzly. Fort Bridger, Utah, is a good region for trout fishing. Bear, elk, deer and sage hens also abound here. Green River, Station, Utah, is another paradise for the votary of field sports who does not fear a little danger in pursuit of game. But Mr. Omohundro reserves his heartiest praises for the head waters of the Yellow Stone river as a game country. This section of country, if we mistake not, is where Phil. Sheridan had such sport among the elk, etc., when he was showing Prince Alexis something of the extent and richness of the continent, and from the accounts given of it by such observant and veracious narrators as Mr. Omohundro must without exception be the best place on the American continent to meet with a variety of game. Time did not allow of an extended interview with the gentleman who imparted the above facts to our reporter, but as he was in company that would not let time hang heavy on his hands, our representative thanked him for the courtesies extended and bade him good morning.—*Exchange.*

maintained at the foot of the mound and ran round and round it, the rest mounted to the top, and some of them entered the loose earth and speedily returned, each bearing a young grasshopper or cricket, dead, which he deposited upon the ground and returned for a fresh load. Those who had remained on the outside of the mound, took up the crickets as they were brought out of the earth, and bore them down to the base of the hill, returning for a fresh load. Soon the contents of the mound seemed to be exhausted, and then the whole force returned home by the same route as before into the trench and over the parapet, each with his burden of cricket food for the community. I must confess that had I not seen this with my own eyes, I could not have believed it, for here was a regular foray, planned and executed with military precision, the country surveyed, and the depot of provisions known accurately before the march was made, and at the mound the prudential division of labor, and the care taken that none of their victims should escape. In conclusion, I would say, that improbable as these facts may seem, yet they were witnessed by myself and my friend, and we returned to our camp, wondering at the greatness of that Creator who could implant in these puny creatures of His hand, so marvelous an instinct.—*E. B. S. in Land and Water.*

Washington Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—I have been hoping by this time to be able to give you the proposed programme of the District of Columbia Game Protective Club's tournament. Nothing definite has been done, and I have heard that the grounds seem to be too far away from the city, the railroad fare too much, and the cost of fencing, erecting houses, targets, etc., to be too great to be thought of at present. I sincerely hope that there may yet be a chance to determine on a place which it is possible for all to reach, and where the expenses attendant may not be feared.

Duck shooting still continues, and some pronounce the flavor to be good, but I am inclined to think it must be fishy. Very few canvas-backs are now in the river, the shooting being at black heads or shufflers, as they are called in this locality. Snipe are plenty on the marshes of the Patuxent river, and our shooters are making large bags. Of course the pot-hunters are having a feast, and birds are hawked through the streets by them. I expect they will be offering woodcock for sale.

The boat clubs are seen on the water every fair evening, and it is to be hoped a good set of races may be made up during the season.

This week's paper has just been handed me, and I must further compliment you on your fine appearance. Live men make live papers, and you are authority now for larger section of country than any other can boast.

A jockey club has been organized in this city, and their first running meeting will be held on the 16th of May. This year they will only have one meeting, but hereafter there will be two annually. They have made arrangements with Major Hill for the use of his one-mile track. I enclose you the pedigree of my dog Shot. He has one on both sides as long as the moral law. He is behaving beautifully, and I expect him to do some tall hunting on the Illinois prairies this Fall.

Julius Caesar is to be brought out in fine style in this city at the National, by Jarrett & Palmer's company, from Booth's theater in New York. I am sure they will have full houses.

Yours, etc., JACK SNIPE.

LEOPARDS.—Charles John Andersen in his "Notes of Travel in South Africa," speaking of the leopard, says:

"Its disposition is fierce, cruel, and vindictive, and it has the reputation of being desperately courageous. Speaking generally, however, excepting in self-defense or when wounded, the leopard will not attack people, though it does happen at times that when they approach too near to its hiding place, it will, without the slightest provocation, make an onset on the intruder.

Casualties from leopards in my vicinity were not of unfrequent occurrence. On one occasion, indeed, my Swedish lad, Axel, was beating some low bushes in search of game and specimens, when he suddenly found himself in the presence of one of these beasts, which apparently was in the very act of springing upon him, its head being ensconced between its fore legs, as is its wont on such occasions. Being probably startled at the unexpected vision, the youth hurriedly raised his fowling piece to his shoulder and fired; but the contents, unfortunately, only lodged in one of the animal's fore paws, which it smashed, as was afterwards ascertained, and before he could pull the second trigger he found himself in a deadly struggle with the exasperated brute. However, being a strong-limbed and courageous young man, he seized the leopard with both hands, and for some moments held it down to the ground by main force. Hearing cries of distress, some Damaras, who were herding cattle hard by, came up, but, seeing the danger, they beat a precipitate retreat. My poor boy repeatedly pointed with his foot to the gun, but all in vain, and began to despair of his life, as the beast had by this time dreadfully lacerated both his hands and arms, and consequently unfitted him for prolonged strife with such a fierce and powerful opponent. Providentially the dogs, though not the most courageous, came to the rescue, and by persistently worrying the beast in his hinder parts, finally compelled him to decamp, though not until he had killed one of their number. It is satisfactory, however, to add that he himself was shortly afterwards destroyed by a party of natives, who, on hearing the poor fellow's cries, promptly ran to the spot, and afterwards went in pursuit of the leopard, which died game, having slain a second dog; two others, moreover, being accidentally shot by their owners in the general melee."

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., April 21, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Not having seen anything in the FIELD from Grand Rapids of late, we thought we might add our mite by sending you a short communication. Our State at present is infested with wild pigeons in great numbers; also *sharks* or pigeon catchers, a hundred or more in number. They are sending them away by the car load. In one day this week there were one hundred barrels caught and shipped, besides five thousand live birds sent away. How long do you suppose they will last at that rate of slaughter? The birds are located at a place called Shelby, about seventy miles north of us on the Lake Shore road. There are several of the city "Nims" up there now, dealing death and destruction to the poor birds. Some have returned perfectly disgusted and surfeited with the slaughter. Snipe have just commenced coming in. They were at the Lake the other day, so report says. Birds will be quite plenty the last of the month when we shall have good sport.

A. H. T. is getting up a trap shoot to come off next week; will send you score. We have a very fine club here composed of our best citizens, and crack shots they are too. Our dogs are not numerous, but we have some blue blood in our city. Our jeweler has a dog from old Grouse, an imported bitch, said to be blue enough for the most fastidious; he is a rattling good dog. A. B. T. has an orange and white dog, bought at Chicago last Fall; an English setter of pure blood. T. has three fine Irish setters, said to be first-class. Mart B has a fine pointer. Charles has a good setter now at his trainer's. Last, but not least, is the fine setter bitch Nell, a pure Lavarack, owned by the subscriber. She was visited by A. B. T.'s dog Ned, about three weeks ago. We are looking for the finest lot of pups ever whelped in this State. I have already been offered large sums for choice of this anticipated litter. It will take big money to carry them off. I have had a prominent gentleman here offer to take the entire lot to Philadelphia, and put them on exhibition at the big show to come off in September. I flatter myself that they would walk off with a prize. If I have not bored you and your readers too much this time, you may hear from me again. TONSORIAL.

Detroit G. C. Rooms—Extraordinary Shooting.

DETROIT, MICH., April 18, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD.—The committee appointed by the Detroit Gun Club to secure rooms for their use, have succeeded in obtaining elegant rooms on the corner of Woodward and Jefferson avenues, right over the Gillman Brother's restaurant, and finer rooms for the purpose could not be obtained in this city, affording, as it does, such a grand view of the most picturesque views of city life that the eye can wish to look on; from one window you view the majestic Detroit river, with all its various crafts sailing along, and its busy ferry-boats, and can also hear the soft strains of the band. Another view comprises the city hall, opera house, and all principal business houses, and as far as the eye can reach for at least three miles. In these rooms all can enjoy themselves in their leisure hours, and brother sportsmen from your Garden City, and others, will always receive a hearty welcome, and will always find some old chum to meet them there; and I need not add that prince of good fellows and crack shots, Ed. H. Gillman, will always be ever ready to do them all the honors he can.

The rooms are to be furnished in the most modern style, comprising every luxury as regards the ease and comfort of visitors. A splendid billiard table will be put in, and all the sporting papers taken, including the principal English ones.

It is contemplated that the rooms will be opened this week, with a grand banquet, when any of the the Chicago sportsmen who may happen to be this way, will receive a hearty welcome.

Ed. H. Gillman, while out shooting last week on Lake Erie, on the Canada shore, shot and bagged "128" ducks in three and a half hours. This is said to be the largest score on record. Mr. Goff Stenton's accident although painful was slight, and he hopes to be ready for the shoot for the State medal, this week, and as there is now existing a keener desire than ever before existed, (since you gave your superb illustration of it), to possess this beautiful trophy, some good shooting may be expected.

Wild birds are coming in very plentifully, and the boys of this club are talking of having a big tournament, either the latter part of May or June. Yours Truly, "PONTIAC."

ARISTOCRATIC HABITS AMONG CATS.—Our old friend, Dr. F., of Albany, New York, has two cats, mother and daughter, that both kitted at one time; Tabby, Jr., up stairs and Tabby, Sen., down stairs, as became her matronly years. The latter had, however, contracted by association, many of the fashionable habits of the "humans," and while obliged by nature to furnish her quota of kittens, decidedly objected to the care of them after they were born. So she carefully carried each kitten up stairs, and deposited it in her daughter's bed among her grandchildren, and left them to Tabby, Jr.'s, tender care, and right good care they received. Once daily the old dame walks up stairs, looks them over, purrs her approval, and trots off perfectly contented, and evidently satisfied that her wet nurse is doing her duty. If that aint Fifth Avenue, what is?

Piqua, Ohio, April 18, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—I notice an article in your last issue from Monroe, Michigan, signed by "John", descriptive of a quail hunt in the northern part of this State last January. The gentleman would do well to examine the law before entering the State. Allow me through your valuable paper to inform him that our *quail law* expires on the first of January and commences the first of November. The Legislature of the State has so amended the law this Winter, that it now reads that it shall be unlawful for any person to kill quail until November 15th, 1877; which I hope the gentleman will take particular notice of; and would be very glad to have him come in season, and will take pleasure in giving all information that I can about hunting grounds in the State, that I am acquainted with.

Yours truly, OBSERVER.

CANTERBURY, CONN.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Saturday we had a terrible freshet in this vicinity, carrying off nearly all the dams within ten miles of here, besides a great many bridges and buildings. The damage at Baltic (Sprague) alone is estimated at three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000). The fishway at Greenville, on the Quinabog river, is reported as being entirely destroyed. The river used to swarm with shad for fifteen miles above Greenville before this dam was erected, and it was expected when the fishway was built they would be as plenty as of old. The disappointment to people along the river will be great. VIATOR.

BIDDEFORD, ME., April 15, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—I received the last issue of your valuable paper this noon, and was very much pleased with its appearance, and especially with the engravings of the "Retriever and Mallard", and "Setter" and "Snipe." As most all of our shooting about here is thick cover, we are forced to use the spaniel. The ducks are coming in slow. Snipe have not made their appearance. Ruffed Grouse bid fair to be plenty. This is our principal game bird with the exception of the duck. The robin, bluebirds and larks have put in an appearance. I will keep you posted on sporting matters in this section. Yours, W. L. W.

A NEW CLUB.—A sportsman's club has been formed in Albany, with Mr. Abraham Lansing, president, Mr. S. Charles, secretary, and Mr. Alexander Greer, Treasurer.

NIAGARA FALLS, April 17, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—On the 24th of December, 1875, the supervisors of the county of Niagara passed a law prohibiting the shooting of quail from the first day of January to the first day of November, also the shooting of ruffed grouse, woodcock and wild duck, between the first day of January and the first day of September. What a gloomy prospect to the sportsmen of Niagara county! Surely, they will have to invade the Dominion of Canada or adjoining counties for their woodcock and quail. I do not find fault with the law in relation to woodcock, if they did but serve them all alike throughout the whole State, as this law will not increase the number of birds in the State, when the law remains the same except in one county. There is still less justice in the law in relation to wild ducks, as they do not breed here, at least to any amount; there may be one or two solitary pairs that stay here to breed, but it is a rare sight. They certainly cannot breed in January in this climate, and as the Spring is the only time they can be hunted with any success, I think it is the most ridiculous law that ever passed in this county. Here is a good chance for the game constable to make a handsome fortune, as the law is broken every day; also the poor may be made rich, as they get one half the fines. Fortunately there is a new board of supervisors elected this Spring from whom we expect better things.

P. O. C.

"OREGON BILL," whose right name is W. J. Speck, had a desperate hand-to-hand encounter with a mountain lion, on Warm Spring creek, Saguache county, the other day. As it bounded toward him he fired three shots, each of which took effect in the ferocious beast. It sprang upon him, however, and knocked him several feet, but he drew his hunting knife and plunged it into the lion's heart, and it rolled over him once and died. The beast measured ten feet and nine inches from the tip of its tail to the point of its nose.—*Colorado Mountaineer.*

A Joke.

CHETOPA, KAN.

This place is a sportsman's paradise! For snipe, wild fowl and prairie chickens, in their respective seasons, it can't be beaten. It was here the Irish team were entertained on their trip to this country two years ago. The town is full of native sportsmen—as big-hearted, clever a set of fellows as can be found in America. I remember at this moment, with the kindest possible feelings, a few: Senator Crichton, A. A. Case, the two Fraunbergs, Fry Bedell, and a few whose names escape me now. The town is notorious for its "joking." The naturally good-natured, whole-souled fellows are continually poking fun at each other. The last joke that reaches me from there is supposed to be on Case, but it strikes me Fraunberg got it this time. Case had told the boys that he was daily expecting a beautiful young setter from his friend Verrier, of St. Louis, and they looked for the arrival of the dog with curiosity. Day after day went by and no dog arrived. (By some unavoidable accident the dog was taken through to Texas, and was not returned for three weeks.) The "boys" concluded it was a fine chance for a joke on Case; so Fraunberg got the worst-looking, egg-sucking, skinny vagabond of a "yaller" dog he could find, tied him with a rope, and took him a round-about way to the depot. He would not put a chain and collar on him, for he knew that Case would keep them if he took the dog. Here is where Fraunberg slipped up.

Case was informed that his long-expected dog had come and was at the depot. By mere chance Crichton had some legal business down that way and said he would walk along with Case—although it was raining hard—for he wanted to see the animal before Case should take him up town to show him round. When they arrived at the depot Case asked for his dog, and the agent informed him that "the dog Mr. Fraunberg left there had chewed the rope and lit out."

Fraunberg swears he would rather have paid for a dozen chains and collars than to have had his joke turned on him, for losing the laugh in Chetopa means a big treat all round. Keep up your spirits, Fraunberg; you'll catch some of them before long.

HA! HA!

A Sportsman's Paradise.

CHICAGO, April 14, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—The letter from Clam Lake, in last week's issue awakens many pleasant reveries, and kindles anew glowing hopes for coming sport. I spent my vacation last summer north of Clam Lake, up in Manistee, Traverse, Antrim, Kalkaska, and Charlevoix counties. It seems as though nature had lavished her gifts very bountifully in this part of Michigan; it is dotted here and there with a thousand rivers and lakes, all of them teeming with fish; the rivers have trout and grayling that will test the skill of the best troutist, and yet make him proud of his day's fishing. I have known 120 trout to be caught between sunrise and sunset, all legitimately killed with rod and flies, and caught by one gentleman, an ardent fisher, even though he graces a judge's seat in the State. I have found the most convenient point to start from, or for a terminal point, to be Traverse City, the connecting steamers run to all the main points on Traverse Bay, Elk lake, Torch lake and up to Pine river and lake. These lakes abound in bass, lake trout, pickerel, and occasionally a Muskellonge. To catch big lake trout in Traverse Bay and Torch Lake regions requires a stout line 250 feet long and a spoon bait; then look out for yourself, or you will find yourself keeping company with the little fishes. Keep cool, and hold on until your fish tires himself out. The chances are, he will tilt the beam at 25 pounds. If any one wants to get away from the city during the coming Summer, let them go to the Campbell House, Traverse City; they will find a polite, obliging host who is well posted in all the fishing localities

near there; who will advise them as to route, guides, etc. I would say to Benedicts (like myself), take the good lady and little ones along, and they will find rosy cheeks, sturdy limbs, health and strength in the pure air. No sleepless nights, no poor appetites; the children in a few days will be hungry as young wolves. A prominent physician in the city has advised many of his patients to spend the Summer on Traverse Bay instead of going to the Springs; and from Northport all round the Bay to Elk Rapids, parties of Chicagoans are to be met staying up there during the hot term, instead of roasting in some big hotel at a fashionable watering place. The FIELD is taking its place in the front of all our sporting papers; its illustrations do credit to its new management—"long may it wave"—the authority on all matters concerning dogs, shooting, fishing, etc.

Yours respectfully, NORMAN.

RECKLESS DESTRUCTION OF WILD PIGEONS.—A friend in Grand Rapids, Michigan, writes thus in a private letter:

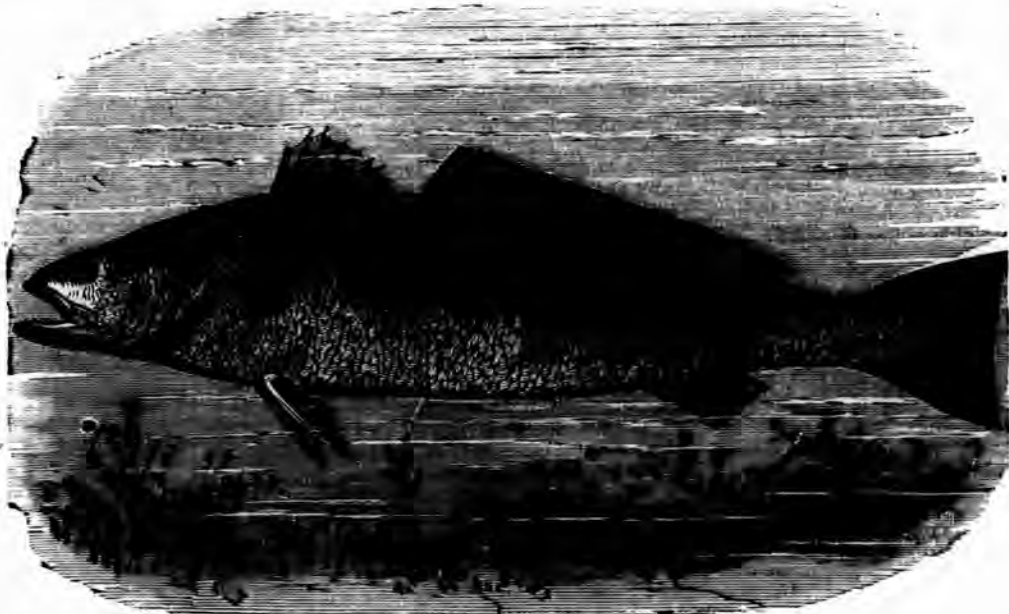
"During the past week most of our shooters have been up at the immense nesting near Shelby, popping pigeons. They report having killed from seventy-five to two hundred birds per man each day. On one day last week there were 150 barrels of pigeons, containing thirty dozen to the barrel, shipped. Last Friday seventy-five barrels were shipped from the same place. The netting of pigeons thus is thinning out the birds very rapidly, and ought to be stopped, at least during the breeding season. I want to congratulate you on the handsome appearance of the FIELD. It is the finest-looking paper, and the best filled in the country."

Ducks, Snipe, and the Iron-Clad Fleet.

FRANKLIN GROVE, ILL., April 19, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—Being fond of "sport" with dog and gun, as well as rod and line, I take great pleasure in reading your valuable and very interesting paper (I have an "Emerson binder", and file every copy), and thought perhaps a few lines from this "neck o' woods" might not be out of place.

On Tuesday afternoon, April 11th, a friend and myself camped in "Inlet Grove" for duck shooting on the "Pond", as they call it here, around "Skunk Island"; but we were



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too late for good shooting, and too far from the grounds, being some three miles west. On Wednesday my friend paddled the boat up around the island, and reported on his return, five teams at the island, and "tent" down—of the famous "iron-clad fleet". My partner's trip was not a success, as he got only a couple of shots—winged two ducks and got neither. In the meantime, I struck several "wisps" of snipe—from eight to ten rising at once, circling around through the air, and darting down like an arrow into the short willows and grass. I had a good "Russian setter", and succeeded in bagging forty-one; and my partner's who had but a few minutes shooting before dark, only four. On Thursday morning we returned home; on the road we met a German, who lives near the island, and who had been to the "iron-clads" camp, and told of the five-hundred dollar guns, and how they never missed a duck; but he thought they had driven all the geese and brant away, by shooting all night. A friend and myself camped on the island last October, and in ditching around the tent he struck, as he termed it, a lead mine, just as I was returning from a corn-field close by, with half-a-dozen chickens. The shot had either been lost or buried, as they were about six inches under ground; perhaps some of the Chicago sports know something of them? They were No. 5 shot, and weighed, when cleaned, eighteen and a half pounds. No doubt they had been there for some years.

Yours, J. O. A.

Book Reviews.

T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia, inform us that on account of the time necessary to engrave the new portrait of Mrs. Southworth, on steel, from a photograph taken of her on March 22, 1876, a copy of which portrait, with her autograph under it, they intend placing in front of the title page in each copy of her new book, "Ismael; or, In the Depths," now in press by them, as well as on account of the great length of the work, it making a volume of over 700 pages, and the large orders pouring in for it, they have been forced to postpone the day of publication of it in Philadelphia, New York and Boston, until Saturday, April 22, 1876, but all orders received for it from booksellers or news agents will be filled and sent prior to that time, so that they may receive it by the day of publication.

The History of the City of New York by Mrs. Martha J. Lamb, which has been long anticipated with much interest, is shortly to be issued by A. S. Barnes & Co. The preparation of the work has occupied a period of over ten years, and its scope is such that it is destined to fill an important place in the literature of the 19th century. It opens with a brief outline of the condition of the old world prior to the settlement of the new, and proceeds to give a careful analysis of the two great Dutch commercial corporations which made such a noise all over Christendom about that time, and to which New York owes its origin. It sketches the rise and growth of the little colony on Manhattan Island, removing much of the dimness and dullness with which it has hitherto been obscured; describes the Indian wars with which it was afflicted; the transformation of the little dorf into a city; gives color and life to its Dutch rulers; paints its subjugation by the English, its after vicissitudes, the revolution of 1689 with its causes and effects, political disturbances; in short, it leads the reader through one continuous chain of events down to the American revolution, and the part sustained in it by New York. Then, gathering up the threads, the author gives an artistic and comprehensive account of the progress of the city, in extent, education, culture, literature, art and political and commercial importance, during the last century. Prominent persons are introduced in all the different periods, with choice bits of family history, and glimpses of social life—the author having had access to private sources of information, family records, correspondence, and documents of various kinds hitherto inaccessible.

Fish.

The Ogdensburg Journal says: "Considerable speculation exists among fishermen in this vicinity, as to the fate of the shad which were placed in the waters of Lake Ontario a few years ago by Seth Green, as an experiment. As we understand it, the habits of the shad bring them from the ocean to the places where they were hatched to spawn again, and it was hoped that the experiment of stocking the waters of Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence would prove successful. Mr. Green offered a premium for the first shad caught in Lake Ontario. We have noticed from time to time that several

of this species of fish have been caught above Cape Vincent, and we believe it was satisfactorily ascertained that they came from those planted by Mr. Green. During the past Fall and Winter, innumerable small fish about four inches in length, have been thrown upon the shores of the lake and river in a dead or dying condition. They were discovered at Three-mile Bay, Jefferson county, in the town of Massena, during the recent rise of water, and along the shore of the St. Lawrence, above the light-house in this city. If the destruction from some unknown cause has been as great on all the shores as at the points named, many hundred thousand of these fish have perished. We shall look with a good deal of interest for further developments in relation to this effort to plant shad in Lake Ontario and the River St. Lawrence."

SALMON FOR AUSTRALIA.—The salmon ova, which were shipped to Australia from England in January last, have reached there in a good condition.

The present is the worst spring season for salmon ever known in England. All reaching market finds ready sale at 5s per pound.

The Weak Fish.

Our illustration shows the general shape and characteristics of the well-known weak fish of the Atlantic coast. The *cynoscion regalis* enjoys a variety of names. Off the New England coast he is called squeteague, or for short, squit. The Indians used to name it schectago. In Connecticut its appellation is something like the Indian, chickwick. In New York it is spoken of as the weak fish, and some get it to be the wheat fish; whereas, on the Southern coast, where all fish are trout, it is dubbed the salt water trout, or grey trout. Generally, when a fish rejoices in quite a number of aliases, it will be discovered that he is quite good to eat, which is the case with the *cynoscion regalis*.

It is found only in salt water, and nearing the shore in early Spring, just about this time, the middle of April, is caught in large quantities until October, being about its best in September, when fresh caught it is excellent, and well-flavored, but it is not what is called a firm-fleshed fish, for after having been kept a short time it becomes soft and loses its savor. Fishermen state that the fish derives its name from having a very weak mouth, as hooks are often torn from it, when they are caught, but the derivation of the word evidently comes from squeak teague—a local Indian name, the first *s* and *q* having been dropped. Its color is a bluish gray, with speckled back and sides, belly white, fins yellow, and under-jaw of a brilliant red. Its weight varies from half a pound to four pounds, perhaps the average is about one pound. Its principal food is the sand-shrimp (*Crangon vulgaris*), which invertebrate creature seems to furnish the diet of not only the weak fish, but the bass, blue-fish and flounders of the Atlantic coast. The weak fish in the ichthyological sequence is like the violet, botanically, for after them in the Spring come all the fish and flowers. Close on the heels of the weak fish on the Atlantic coast comes the porgy, then the first run of mackerel, and then the host of blue-fish. Very certainly to-day the weak fish may be seen in Fulton market, New York. As an early fish it has its value, but does not rank among the best of fish food. When in its greatest plenty, it is often sold wholesale on the Atlantic coast for one to one and a-half cents the pound. Its habitat is quite extended, ranging from the extreme North as far as the Florida coast. The old Hollander's knew the value of the weak-fish, for in a famous poem called "Lof van New Nederland," written by the laureate Jacob Steendam in 1661, the translation of a certain verse runs as follows:

"You've weak-fish, carp, turbot, pike and plaice,
There's not a pool or tiny water-trace,
Where swims not myriads of the finny race,
Easily taken."

A salmon weighing 120 pounds has been caught at Seattle, Washington Territory. This is said to be the largest salmon ever caught.

AMERICAN MEAT.—There were 200 quarters of American beef in the Metropolitan Meat Market on Monday, which had been brought direct to London from New York by the steamer Greece. This meat which was consigned to Messrs. Archer and Malthouse, met with a ready sale at fair rates.—*The London Farmer.*

Trap Shooting.

A. H. and F. A. Tournament.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 15, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—The trap shooting tournament under the auspices of the Indianapolis Hunting and Fishing Association began Thursday morning under rather unfavorable circumstances; the sky was overcast, threatening rain, and the attendance was so slim that it was nearly 11 o'clock before entries enough were secured for the sweepstakes match; and on account of the small number of contestants it was decided to reduce the purse from the advertised amount—\$75 to \$55. The entries were eleven in number—G. Doup, J. Engle, P. A. Huffman, C. Cooke, D. Kepple, W. H. Dooley, D. M. Lloyd, S. Jones, J. C. Dunn, J. Enrich and A. Balweg.

Capt. A. H. Bogardus was chosen referee. The match was for 5 single birds, 21 yards rise, 80 yards boundary, Indianapolis Club rules to govern.

SCORE.
Lloyd.....10101—3 Jones.....01000—1
Doup.....11011—4 Dunn.....10101—3
Dooley.....11010—3 Huffman.....11111—5
Engle.....11111—5 Enrich.....10100—2
Cooke.....11110—4 Balweg.....10110—3
Kepple.....11011—4

In the shooting for 1st, 2d, and 3d money Huffman (1), Kepple (2), Lloyd (3) were the victors.

The event of the day occurred in the afternoon, fully 500 people assembling to see the exhibition shooting of Capt. Bogardus. First he was to kill 35 out of 50 birds, rise from two plunge traps 40 yards apart, the shooter standing on a line midway between the two traps. The wind was high, and the birds all strong, swift flyers, making the feat a difficult one. At one stage of the game the odds were very much against him, 45 birds being up, and only 32 killed, however he bagged the next six, making the necessary 38. Several birds that quartered over and near the spectators were allowed to escape, for fear of injuring some one in the crowd.

Next he was to kill 50 birds in eight minutes—double birds and load his own gun; 31 pair were put on the wing, and 54 brought down in five minutes and 45 seconds; near the close he killed two birds with one barrel, and then gave the contents of the other to a "stray" that had been trapped, but did not make good its chance to escape.

The concluding match of the day was a sweepstakes for a purse of \$50, the entries being Coleman, Doup, Cooke, Kepple, Dooley, Engle, Lloyd, Huffman, Winter and Porter.

Bogardus referee; conditions same as for first match.

SCORE.
Doup.....11110—4 Engle.....00111—3
Cooke.....11111—5 Lloyd.....11011—4
Kepple.....10110—3 Huffman.....11110—4
Dooley.....00111—3 Winter.....11110—4
Coleman.....11000—2 Porter.....11110—4

Cooke received first money, Lloyd was the victor in shooting of the tie for second money, and Engle and Dooley divided third money between them, the supply of birds becoming exhausted before a decision could be arrived at.

Kepple, a member of the Indianapolis club, killed an incomer right over the heads of the lookers-on, thereby endangering their lives very seriously; for which careless shooting he was deprived of the right to shoot at any of the future matches of the club.

SECOND DAY.—The second day's sports did not pan out as extensively, nor were they as satisfactory, either to the club or the spectators, as the first; the weather was most wretched, sleet, rain, and high winds being the order of the day.

Eighteen gunners participated in the sweepstakes match of the morning. John C. Dunn's clean score carried off first money; O. H. Porter shot off a tie against four others, and came out second best; W. H. Dooley, third.

The \$100 sweepstakes in the afternoon excited considerable interest, having twenty entries; several cracks were entered, and the close shooting made the match a very enjoyable affair.

Four gunners shot off a tie for first money, six for second, and eleven for third; the final result stood:

Ed. May, Jr., Indianapolis, 1st. \$50 Wm. Smith, Franklin, 3d. \$20
T. G. Cottrell, 2d. 30

As a whole, the club are very well satisfied with their first venture in the tournament line, and have commenced making arrangements for another, on a grander scale, later in the season.

A match was arranged between B. F. Riley and Robt. McGill, to take place Saturday afternoon, for \$100 a side, 10 single birds; the result was:

McGill.....5 | Riley.....2

The Michigan State Medal.

DETROIT, Mich., April 20th, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—The shooting for this medal under the auspices of the Detroit Gun Club took place to-day, and caused an unusual enthusiasm amongst the members, as to who should be able to wrest it from Mr. Moran, the last winner of it. This was done by Mr. Charles Mack, the junior member of the club, to the consternation and surprise of all the old members.

His score 14 out of 15 birds, was something extraordinary, considering the high wind which prevailed, and his having to shoot against such old crack shots, as Messrs. J. E. Long, E. H. Gillman, G. Moran and others. It was at one thought to be a sure thing for Mr. Gillman, he having killed 13, when Mr. Mack scored his 14, he threw up his hat and was the first to congratulate the winner upon his maiden victory. These matches are conducted with much good feeling on all sides, each striving his best to carry the meeting off satisfactorily. Mr. Long with his genial smile, (albeit his hard luck), always assisting the best he can and I need not add that Mr. Gillman's mirth-provoking humor, is always in the ascendant. Below I give you the scores.

Yours truly, PONTIAC.

Michigan State Medal; Detroit gun club rules to govern; wild birds from ground traps. Golf Stenton, referee; Mr. Baker, scorer.

SCORE.
C. Mack.....10101 11111 11111—14
E. H. Gillman.....10111 01111 11111—13
J. H. Caniff.....10111 10101 11111—12
J. V. D. Eldridge.....10111 01111 10111—10
Gilbert Moran.....11011 1100w
Louis Dubois.....01101 0w
J. E. Long.....10011 0w
Van Duzer.....10011 0w
H. Whipple.....11010 0w

THE AMERICAN RIFLE ASSOCIATION.—This association contested for the "Geiger Trophy," at Creedmoor on the 22d inst. The distances were 800, 900 and 1000 yards, 15 shots at each range. A strong side and gusty wind was blowing, which rather deteriorated from the average skill.

SCORE.
800 yds. 900 yds. 1000 yds. Total.
L. M. Ballard.....44 52 68 164
Major H. Fulton.....38 63 59 159
G. W. Yale.....38 62 59 159
J. L. Allen.....43 57 50 150
W. B. Farwell.....43 51 50 144
Frank Hyde.....44 51 49 144
K. Rathbone.....44 51 49 144

L. Weber, S. G. Perry, A. Anderson, N. Washburn, E. H. Raymond, H. Fisher, N. J. Hennion, Jr., and Lt. Col. McNab also contested, and took rank in the above order. Mr. Geiger, the donor of the "trophy," scored 176 at the same time as the others were shooting.

TERRE HAUTE, IND., April 21, 1876.

EDITOR CHICAGO FIELD:—I herewith send you the score made by Capt. A. H. Bogardus, in an exhibition shoot in which he undertook to kill 35 out of 50 wild pigeons, sprung from two traps at the same time. Traps 40 yards apart, Bogardus standing equi-distant between them.

SCORE.
10 10 10 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 10 11 11 10 10 10
11 10—40 out of 40.

As will be seen above, at the 20th shot but one bird was fired at, on account of danger to the spectators, the 3d bird was not fired at, but could have been easily scored.

His next effort was to kill 25 birds in four minutes, both birds to be thrown up together, at 31 yards, and he killed 27 out of 28 in 2:30 1/4 minutes.

OLD MUFFIN.

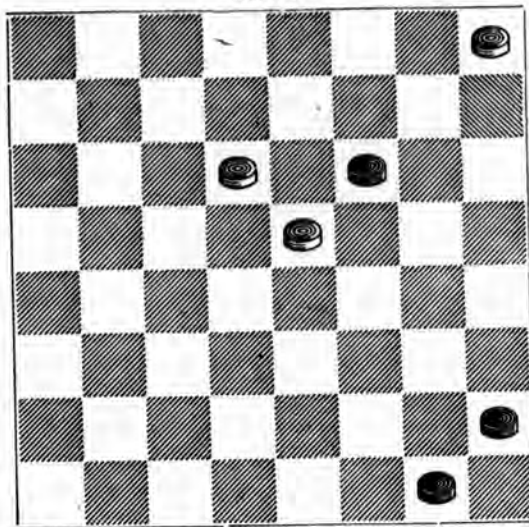
PIGEON SHOOTING AT WENONA, ILL.—Capt. A. H. Bogardus will give an exhibition at the Union Fair Grounds, Wenona, on Wednesday, May 3, 1876. There will also be two sweepstakes purses of \$100 each, divided as follows: \$50 to first, \$35 to second, \$15 to third, twenty-one to enter, at \$5 each, open to all amateurs, Prairie Club Rules to govern.

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POSITION NO. 37—By J. READY.

WHITE.



BLACK.

Black to move and win.

Solutions solicited, and will be published in our next issue.

SOLUTION TO POSITION NO. 36.

23-27	23-16	7-10	21-14	15-10	13-6
32-23	21-25	14-7	18-27	8-11	10-1
16-19	30-21	22-18	4-8	5-9	B.wins

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

C. M. WILD. Thanks for favors received.

T. A. SMEDLEY, Macon, Mo. Yours is the only correct solution received to position No. 35.

SAMUEL SIEGEL, Indianapolis. Your contributions are always welcome.

A. H. SODEN, Boston, Mass. Your solution and analysis of position No. 34 is correct.

I. C. KIBBER, Chippewa Falls, Wis. Your solution to position No. 35 is not sound. Play at 10th move 13-17, 24-20, 15-10, 20-11, 10-17, and you have a draw. You also have the numbers of the board reversed.

"AMATEUR," Indianapolis. You solve No. 36 correctly. You are requested to send your name and address, or call upon Mr. Samuel Siegel, 125 West Washington street, opposite the State House, Indianapolis. We supposed we had given you ample credit for solving No. 34 correctly. As this end game which occurred here in actual play, is identical with a position by Mr. Robert D. Yates, and published by him as a draw, we consider it of sufficient merit to warrant a repetition with correct solution, and due credit to all who have solved it. Black men 9, 10, 11, 12, 13. White men 20, 21, 22, 23, 24. Black to play and white to win.

12-16	19-12	15-22	12-8	31-27
24-19	10-15	23-19	26-31	3-8
9-14	22-18(a)	23-26	8-3	white wins.

(a) 12-8 or 20-16 will draw.

Correct solutions as above have been received from Prof. F. A. Fitzpatrick, St. Louis; "Amateur," Indianapolis; "Inquirer," Detroit, and A. H. Soden, Boston, Mass.

NOTES.

Wyllie is in Chelsea, Mass.

Wyllie made the following score in New Haven, Conn.—Won, 303; lost, 3; drawn, 6; total, 312 games.

Wyllie and Barker have arranged to play a match of fifty games for \$10 on each won game. Play is to commence May 10th, at No. 35, Bromfield street, Boston, and the hours of play will be from 7 to 10 P. M. each evening, until finished.

After twelve successive draws they will go into restricted play.

Robert Martins, in a letter to the *Turf*, declines to accept Wyllie's challenge, and says: "My reasons are obvious for so doing. First—It being an impossibility for me to get backers to play him in America for that large stake. Secondly—I feel that I am not in sufficient practice to play one whose sole occupation is draught-playing; but should a draught tournament be determined on, as suggested, I shall feel highly gratified and delighted to compete in that trial of ability and skill."

The leading players of this city are testing the strength of their skill in a friendly series of ten games each with the Draught Editor of the *Field*. Three matches were played last week with the following

Dr. J. Blanchard.....3	O. D. Orvis.....4	Drawn.....3
Charles Hefter.....2	O. D. Orvis.....4	Drawn.....4
Otto Heller.....2	O. D. Orvis.....5	Drawn.....3

The following is the result of the game of draughts played at Galt, Canada, on Thursday, April 20th, between the club of that place and Hamilton.

HAMILTON.	GAMES.	GALT.	GAMES.	DRAWN.
C. McNab.....5	W. Slater.....0	0		
J. Curtis.....4	D. Moore.....1	1		
J. Pryke, Jr.....2	W. Weir.....1	3		
T. Isach.....1	C. Douglas.....4	0		
Robson.....5	R. Ford.....0	2		
J. Pryke, Sr.....2	J. Ballentine.....3	1		
J. Hall.....0	C. Simpson.....6	0		
Fred. Bremier.....0	J. Dryden.....6	0		

Total.....20 Total.....21 7

Majority for Galt.....1

GAME NO. 82—"OLD FOURTEENTH."

Played at Indianapolis, Ind., between Messrs. Siegel and Myers.

SIEGEL MOVED FIRST.		MYERS MOVED FIRST.	
11-15	24-20	10-19	32-27
23-19	5-9	26-23	2-6
8-11	25-22	19-26	27-24
22-17	18-25	30-5	10-14
4-8	29-23	8-11	20-16
17-13	14-18	27-32	3-7
15-18	23-15	11-15	24-20
26-22	7-11	23-19	6-10
9-14	31-26	15-24	13-9
23-15	11-18	28-19	14-17
11-18	19-15	6-10	21-14

GAME NO. 83—"BRISTOL."

Played at Kankakee, between Messrs. Fonville and Fitzpatrick.

11-16	11-18	15-19	15-19	9-13	25-31
24-30	22-15	16-11	20-16	8-4	8-4
16-19	19-23	19-26	25-30	13-17	21-17
23-16	16-19	11-4(a)	16-12	4-8	4-8
12-19	7-11	10-15	30-25	17-21	17-14
22-18	15-10	30-23	4-8	8-4	8-4
8-11	6-24	14-18	25-23	21-25	14-10
25-22	26-19	23-14	8-4	4-8	4-8
4-8	1-6	9-25	5-9	25-30	10-15
29-25	25-22	32-27	13-6	8-4	Fitzpatrick
10-14	6-10		2-9	30-25	wins.
18-15	27-23		4-8	4-8	

(a) 30-26, 8-15, 31-27 will draw.

Base Ball.

Boston vs. Athletics.

The first game for the Centennial pennant was played at Philadelphia on the 22d, between the Boston and Athletics. The first inning was a blank for the Reds, though O'Rourke got safely to first, and to second on a wild throw from Coons to second, but was left by Manning's easy out. For the Athletics Force and Egger retired, but Flier earned his base and was pushed to third by a splendid two baser by Meyerle to right center, but Sutton left them. In the second inning, Sutton's overthrow to Flier gave Schafer a run on his base hit. Singles by Coons and Fowler, and errors by McGinley and Parks let the Athletics tally. In the third inning two runs were scored by the Reds, on a two baser by O'Rourke, and errors by Knight and Flier. The fourth inning was a double blank. In the fifth inning Wright and Leonard opened with safe one and ultimately tallied whilst their successors were being retired variously. The Blue Socks were again blanked. In the sixth inning, however the boot got onto the other leg, for the Reds were blanked, and Flier, Coon and Hall whacked the leather energetically and earned three runs for their side. The seventh and eighth innings were double blanks. The ninth inning opened well for the Reds, who by safe hits from Murnan and Schafer, and an error of Fowler at second scored two runs, leaving the Athletics a hard game to win. This they failed to do, but tallied one, thus losing the first of their battles. G. Wright, Murnan, and Schafer each earned one base whilst Leonard and O'Rourke earned two. The batting of the Athletics was led by Flier with three, Sutton and Coons each earned two, and Force and Meyerle one safe hit. The fielding of the Boston was noticeable for its clean neatness, whilst that of the Athletics was a mixture of sluggishness and brilliancy. "Joseph's" record is good against such batsmen as the Athletics. McGinley showed in good form behind the bat, and is "jumping" to Joseph's delivery, and Leonard covered the second base in good style.

SCORE.

Boston.....0 1 2 0 1 0 0 0 2-6
Athletic.....0 1 0 0 0 3 0 0 1-5

Called balls—Borden 32, Knight 30. Called strikes—Wright 1, O'Rourke 4, Murnan 4, Schafer 3, McGinley 2, Manning 4, Borden 1; total 9. Egger 2, Sutton 1, Coons 1, Hall 2, Fowler 1, Knight 2; total 91.

Umpire, Wm. McLean. Safe hits, B. 7; A. 9; 1st on errors, B. 9; A. 4; earned runs, B. 2; A. 3; base on balls, Boston, 1. Time of game—two hours.

ST. LOUIS VS. CINCINNATI.—On Tuesday, April 22d, at Cincinnati, the above clubs met on the grounds of the Reds before a large crowd. The hitting on both sides was hard, and mostly to the out-field. No less than thirty-five flys were taken, Dehman of the Browns alone missing one. Snyder, the Red Stocking left-fielder, put out eight men. The Reds out-batted the Browns, and had many opportunities of putting on a heavy score, but on six occasions they failed to get a safe strike in at the right time with men on bases. The St. Louis run was earned by Pike's safe hit, followed by a splendid three-baser from Battin. The Reds got their run in the first inning by Booth's safe hit and subsequent mistakes. Their run in the eighth was due to Battin, Clapp and Bradley getting muddled. The backers of the Brown Stockings were in a wild state. The score by innings is as follows:

Cincinnati.....1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0-2
St. Louis.....0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1-1

CHICAGO VS. LOUISVILLE.—On Tuesday, April 22d, at Louisville, before a crowd of nearly 4,000, the game between the White Stockings and Louisville began by Gerhart hitting safely only to be left. Devlin did for the Whites in striking order. In the second inning Bechtel got to first on an error of Anson's, but was put out by a fine fly-catch and double play from Hines to McVey; for the Whites, Hines fly-catch and double play from Gerhart's wild throw to first. In the third innings Barnes got his base on an error then ran home on a wild throw from Gerhart to first. Another run was scored by the Whites in the fourth innings, then all was a blank. The pitching on both sides was very effective, but the dead ball militated against the batting. The play of Peters and McVey was very fine for the Whites, whilst all the others played well. Anson, White and Hines being each debited with a mistake. The Louisville did not figure so well in the field, though playing well; besides Gerhart's two, Chapman, Devlin and Carbine are debited with an error apiece; Somerville was conspicuous for good neat work. In the batting, Spalding led the Whites with three safe hits, whilst Anson, Addy, Hines, Glenn and White each scored one. For the Southrons, Hastings and Chapman put in two, whilst Gerhart, Devlin and Snyder made one safe hit each. The score was as follows:

Chicago.....0 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 0-4
Louisville.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0-0

First on errors: Louisville 1, Chicago 0.

Betting, 3 to 1 on the Whites.

BOSTON VS. MUTUALS.—On April 22d, at New York, on the Union grounds, the Boston met the Mutuals and crept out of a small hole in regular old Boston style. It was a bad day for play, the wind blowing half a gale, consequently not more than one thousand enthusiasts gathered to see the play, which was generally of a loose character. Base hits by Manning, Morrill, Borden and O'Rourke and errors by the Mutes gave the Boston five runs in the 9th innings. The score is as follows:

Boston.....0 0 3 2 0 0 1 0 0-6
Mutuals.....0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 5-7

Runs earned, B. 1. Safe hits, B. 7; M. 11. Total errors: B. 15; M. 14. Time of game, 2h. 25m.

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THIRD DAY.—THURSDAY, June 8th.

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